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## MEETING PLACE OF SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION



**THE MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM** in San Antonio will be the scene of the Southern Baptist Convention. Designed of gray limestone, this structure was built as a memorial to the World War I dead. It covers six and a half acres and has a seating capacity of well over six thousand.



### THE BAPTIST BACKGROUND IN SAN ANTONIO

C. S. Cadwallader, Chairman, Local Publicity

Historic spots like early Spring wild flowers mark the places of struggle and victory in the forward march for freedom and liberty in San Antonio. Many shrines in San Antonio are well known in history, but there are many places being discovered as we re-evaluate the past in the light of the present, which causes us to pause and thank God for His blessing in the notable struggle. Let it not be forgotten that Baptists have a large and worthy place in the fabric and coloring of the history of San Antonio.

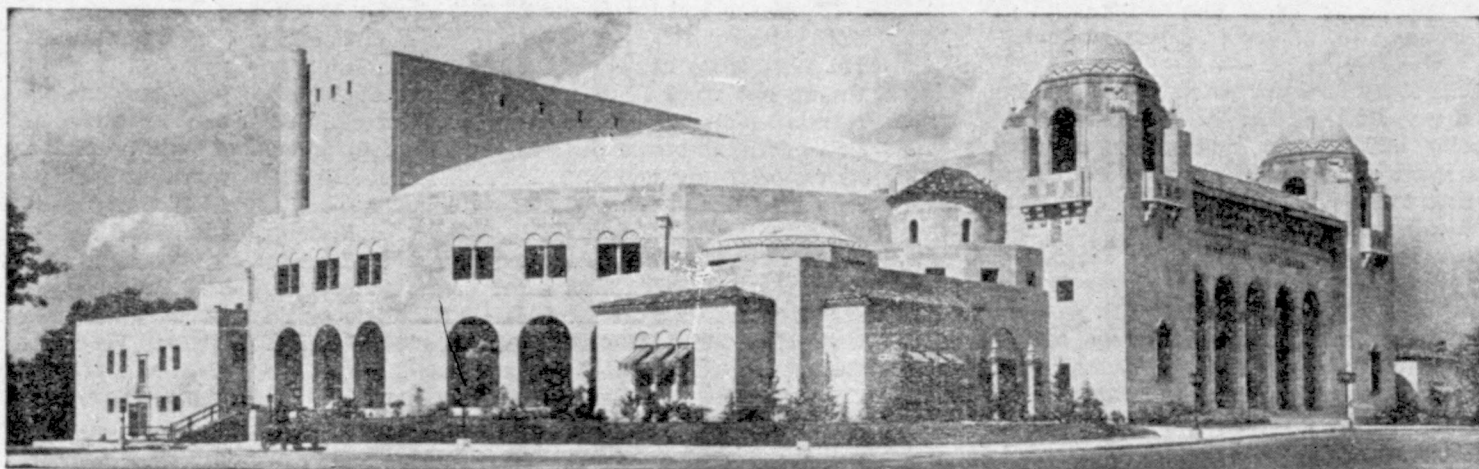
The background of our history is Spanish and Catholic. However, many great men of Texas history marched under the Baptist banner. Be it known that in the great present we are working faithfully among the Mexican and Spanish people. There are some 100,000 Mexicans in San Antonio. Southern Baptists have seven missionaries working with the Home Board laboring beautifully. The First Baptist Church has two workers. The Home Mission Board utilizes annually nearly \$50,000 for this good work, helping more than 100 missionaries in the Lone Star State.

Among the early pioneers there were stalwart German people who have had a good and constructive part in building this city.

Coming with the white people to help build were the colored people who now number some 20,000 of the city's population. When Stephen F. Austin came to Texas he borrowed \$50 with which he bought a mule and a negro. There are now 22 colored Baptist churches and 8,000 on their rolls.

The noble and historic First Baptist Church has wrought well through the years. It was constituted in January 1861 under the leadership of Missionary J. H. Thurmond who gathered them together in the court house, and has grown to be the second largest church in the Southern Baptist Convention. From Missions planted by this mother church have grown the other churches of San Antonio, the Calvary and Prospect Hill. Under the leadership of a great lay-preacher, Doc Pegues, who was the active city missionary, there were planted many other churches throughout the city in strategic places. San Antonio Baptist churches now number 26, one just constituted last week.

With the combined forces of these churches, the civic organizations, and the churches of other faiths, we are pouring all we have into the preparation and entertainment of the Southern Baptist Convention in its 87th Convention celebrating its 97th year of co-operative service and missionary activity.



### MISSIONARIES' CONDITION REPORTED IMPROVED

**Cable from Macao:** A cablegram, dated Macao, March 19, was received on March 21 and reads: "RECEIVED CONDITIONS WORSENING RANKIN PARTY WELL BUT INACCESSIBLE ENDEAVORING SEND HELP NOTIFY POSY FIRST CHURCH AUSTIN INEZ LUNG PENNILESS—JOHN GALLOWAY." Note: "Received" refers to funds sent to Mr. Galloway the early part of March. The First Church, Austin, has sent funds to Miss Lung, since receiving this message.

**Report from Yangchow:** On January 7, Rev. Herbert M. Pierce sent an inquiry regarding Mrs. L. W. Pierce and Dr. Ethel Pierce in Yangchow, Kiangsu, through the International Red Cross. On March 19, Mr. Pierce received the following message: "Swiss Consulate Shanghai communicates Pierce well, Yangchow."

**Free China:** The Executive Committee of the South China Mission recently met in Kwellin. The following cablegram, dated March 13, was received from J. R. Saunders, chairman: "YOUR CABLE ABOUT FORWARD MOVEMENT RECEIVED GREATLY APPRECIATED EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HAS TAKEN ALL POSSIBLE PRELIMINARY STEPS PLANNING FOUR MONTHS SIMULTANEOUS EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN FOR ALL OUR FIELDS STARTING APRIL ASK OUR PEOPLE THROUGHOUT SOUTHLAND PRAY UNCEASINGLY FOR HIS CAMPAIGN AND OUR FORWARD MOVEMENT."

A cablegram from Dr. Beddoe dated March 7th stated, (Continued on Page Nine)

### MEN, TITHE YOUR TIRES

By Lawson H. Cooke

You perhaps are worrying about that automobile of yours, and wondering how you are going to get to church and to the denominational meetings which you have been in the habit of attending. The problem is not a very difficult one.

Go to your automobile dealer today and ask him to give you a conservative estimate of the mileage in your tires, then reserve a minimum of one-tenth of that mileage for the Lord.

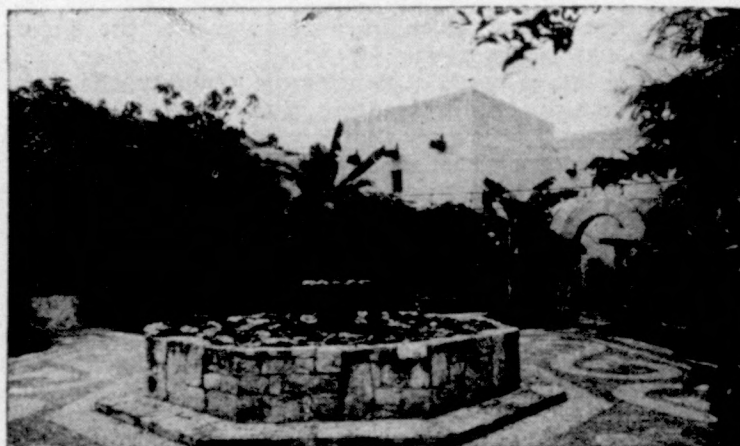
If you have 10,000 miles left in your tires, you will of course, have 1,000 miles for traveling to and from your church services, and to general denominational assemblies. It is the same principle as tithing your money.

By giving the Lord one-tenth of your estimated mileage, you will very probably discover that the automobile man underestimated your tire service, and that the tire situation will be cleared up long before your present tires are worn out.

Another solution will be found in a consolidation of some of the meetings. It will be a very wholesome thing to have all of the members of the family gathered around the table at one time.

It will help further to hold our meetings as near the center of the territory as possible, whether associational, district or state meetings.

### CONVENTION POINT OF INTEREST



The old SPANISH GOVERNORS' PALACE in San Antonio will be a major point of interest to delegates at the Southern Baptist Convention. The palace originally was used by Spanish governors and vice-governors of Texas as an office and residence. Recently restored, this historic building's ten rooms and loft are furnished in the Spanish manner, typical of early San Antonio. The keystone over the doorway bears the Hapsburg coat-of-arms and the date 1749.

Mississippi Baptists as individuals and churches continue to send an increase of their tithes and offerings to all the causes of Christ, beyond the local church as evidenced by the following substantial gain through the Convention Board offices for the month of March:

	Cooperative Program	Miscellaneous	Now Club & 5M Club	Total
1942 March 31	12,350.25	15,940.41	7,505.69	35,769.35
1941 March 31	9,955.91	12,359.06	3,694.85	26,009.82
<b>GAIN</b>	<b>2,394.34</b>	<b>3,581.35</b>	<b>3,810.84</b>	<b>9,786.53</b>



# Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

## OUR STATE OFFICERS

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### FOR YOUNG PEOPLE— BAPTISTS BUILDING IN BRAZIL

Dr. A. Ben Oliver  
Cloth, 75 Cents; Paper, 50 Cents

This study book for young people, on Brazil, has been prepared by Dr. A. Ben Oliver, a brilliant scholar, gifted writer, and earnest missionary who has spent six years in effective evangelistic work in that country. He is eminently qualified to write such a book for this group.

In his approach to this study our South American neighbor, the author first gives us in chapters I and II, a glimpse of the land, its people, its early colonization, our Baptist beginnings, and the early work of other denominations. Only brief space is given to the country's history, however—that which is necessary to an undertaking of the task confronting Southern Baptists in their efforts; for the purpose of the book is not to record a history of Brazil, but to give, as Dr. Oliver does in the remaining chapters, III, IV and V, a clear outline of the work being done there by Southern Baptists, "to recount the successes which have attended their efforts, and, above all, to present the mighty challenge which Brazil constitutes today, as the greatest and most promising mission field open to our message." In these chapters, "The Growing Light of a New Day," "The Open Door of Brazil," and "What of Tomorrow?" he sets forth clearly and in convincing manner the need, the opportunities, and our obligation. In the opinion of Dr. Oliver, Southern Baptists have a great contribution to make to Brazilian life, and an inescapable duty in helping to determine the destiny of its people. With the needs and opportunities in this field so great, with our duty so clear, it is his hope that Brazil's challenge and its great possibilities for development will inspire those already interested and succeed in arousing others to become concerned in its spiritual welfare and lead them to translate that interest into actual participation in the cause of missions.

—BR—  
**THE STEWARD FAMILY**  
By Josephine Riley Medlin

A study course is planned primarily for Royal Ambassadors and Girls' Auxiliaries, ages nine to twelve. It is written in simple language, story form so that any Junior child may read and understand its message, which is stewardship and tithing. Mrs. Medlin was before her marriage, state W. M. U. young people's leader in Missouri and has had wide experience in working with young people.

The book, attractively illustrated, is divided into ten short chapters in order to simplify its reading, but is planned for five study periods, using two chapters a day. Through the characters of the story, Mr. and Mrs. Steward, their nine-year-old daughter, Sally, and Sammy, their son of twelve, the author presents her subject in a most interesting and unique manner. First, a clear explanation of the terms "steward" and "tithing" is given. Then these principles of stewardship and tithing are practiced in the home and in the church life of this fine Christian family, and through their influence their friends and others are led to practice tithing and to give more loyal support to missions. The volume is an unusually clear and effective interpretation of this subject for the junior age.

### THE LATCH-STRING OF SOUTHWEST TEXAS

As we address this word of greeting to you, we express deep gratitude to our leaders who have made your expected visit possible. When as members of the Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, you reach southwest Texas you will find the proverbial latch-string hanging out and a cordial welcome awaiting

### PSALM 23

(From the bulletin of the Baptist church, Brookline, Mass.)

The Lord is my Shepherd ----- Guidance  
I shall not want ----- Supply  
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures ----- Peace  
He leadeth me beside the still waters ----- Harmony  
He restoreth my soul ----- Health  
He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness -----  
----- Honesty  
Yea, though I walk through the valley, etc. ----- Discord  
I will fear no evil ----- Confidence  
For Thou art with me ----- Protection  
Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me ----- Comfort  
Thou preparest a table before me, etc. ----- Provision  
Thou anointest my head with oil ----- Consecration  
My cup runneth over ----- Abundance  
Surely good and mercy shall follow me, etc. ----- Joy  
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever -----  
----- Consciousness of Divine Love  
----- Watchman-Examiner.

—BR—  
**The Sunday School Times of February 7** carries a two-page editorial on the far-reaching work of teacher training that is being carried on by Southern Baptists. For an interdenominational paper published in Philadelphia, Pa., thus to single out the Southern Baptists in their work among young people is no small compliment. If you take the Sunday School Times, be sure to read that article. —Watchman-Examiner.

—BR—  
**Crystal Springs:- Not only has Crystal Springs** been making progress along spiritual and numerical lines, but financial records indicate a marvelous financial growth, as the following figures reveal: — Received in January, Feb., Mar., 1939, \$1660.68; Received in Jan., Feb., Mar., 1940, 1857.45; Received in Jan., Feb., Mar., 1941, 3252.74; Received in Jan., Feb., Mar., 1942, 3747.91.

**Union—Our Sunday school forces very ably led by** Superintendent Otis Foster, are rejoicing over reaching the Standard again this year, which makes the fifth consecutive year, and in the worthy offering made in response to the appeal of Home and Foreign Missions, an offering goal of \$50.00 was suggested, and \$63.00 has been given to date.

you from the thirty-seven thousand Baptists and friends of other groups that represent District Six, the district which has San Antonio as the center and headquarters.

You've heard of San Marcos Academy, the most unusual Baptist Academy in the world, also of the great Mexican and Chinese population which is our missionary challenge, likewise historic shrines of world-wide interest. Now here's your opportunity to step behind the scenes for an intimate glimpse of these and more. Come by bus, automobile, rail or plane, choose your method of travel and your route, but decide now that you will be among the hosts attending the meetings of Woman's Missionary Union and the Southern Baptist Convention May 14-20.

Environment contributes to the pleasure and comfort of a convention. We have ample and comfortable accommodations for all who come, excellent transportation service, splendid modern hotels and every facility available for successful meetings. You will return to your homes with renewed spirit for the furtherance of your missionary endeavor.

You will find us conforming to Spanish legend, "The sight of San Antonio lifts our heads—our hearts correspondingly catch the music of a new day." When you come to see us in May "your hearts will catch the music" of a hearty welcome from all who live in southwest Texas.

MRS. J. T. YANCEY,  
President, W. M. U. District Six.

### UNDER FIRE By Hattie Stallings\*

It was Saturday, 6 o'clock a. m. when the alarm sounded. I was having my breakfast so, as the report was "one plane," I just did not go. Then came another report telling of several groups of planes. All the hospital force and several of the rest of us went out behind some trees that are near our wall. Soon the planes came. One group flew over us again and again as if they were looking for something special. They seemed to say to me "Peek-a-boo, I see you, hiding behind that tree-ee-ee." After they had circled five times, down came the bombs. We had a jar but no hits. As soon as the noise of planes seemed to be receding, we came out to see who were the victims. There was our Girls' School building with its southeast corner down, and all the smaller buildings wrecked. But the old building was so tied together with iron rods that the rest of the frame seemed unmoved. The Chinese said, "What a building to stand such a shock!" But every door, window, and movable board seemed to be down.

The medicine room was not hit, but the medicine for daily use was all knocked about and spilled.

The coolie was injured. We put a splint on his broken leg, tied up his wounds, and sent him to the government hospital. Then we began to move out to the house where Mr. Herring lived. Now our nurses and doctor are there. On and near this building that is being used for the hospital now, three bombs fell. And such holes as they did make! Several other bombs fell beyond the compound, killing three people. And just outside the city wall, opposite this building, a fire raged from the bombs dropped there. So we had fear of fire as the wind was in the north that day. But our Father protected us, and so all is well with each of us. If we could only forget the sound thereof. My ears are nearly gone to the bad.

Be sure to be getting some one—or better still, a group—ready for this future work. It is such a needy field. If this keeps up, I won't be equal to working after it is over. Some can stand by and some can be ready to take over. We hope that all our furlough people will be back by this time next year. Then we can rest a bit.

The two days following the bombing, the planes came over to bomb our city in other places. We were in "the cover" from 6 a. m. to 11 a. m. We make ourselves comfortable and take lunches. So we try to ease off as much as possible. Mr. and Mrs. Bausum and children are marvelous. They manage to do much—and keep hiding also. We make it as much fun as possible. I am going with them in their car now every day. If that gets bombed, I do not know what they will do with their three children to care for. I marvel that they are so calm about it all. He never gets nervous over anything. What a blessing for us all! Mr. Herring is like that, too. We need them so much.

If all goes well, I shall go again to the country for a month. If only we could find a clean resting place, the country is better. The filth nearly gets the best of me and so I come home frequently for a change.

Physical beings can stand just so much, and we all know it. Keep praying for us.—The Commission.

\*Miss Stallings carries on both educational and evangelistic work in Kweilin, China.

—BR—  
Neighbor: "She treats her husband like a Grecian god."

Visitor: "How's that?"

Neighbor: "She places a burnt offering before him at every meal."



# Mississippi Baptists

Your Secretary Says:

"LOVE NEVER FAILS." I Cor. 13:8b

Jesus said, "I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH." Mt. 16:18.

"A good thing to remember,  
And a better thing to do,  
Is — work with the construction gang,  
Not with the wreckin' crew."

## I

Mississippi Baptists will be interested to note the steady, sure increase, in the number of churches giving to Evangelism, Missions, Christian Education and Philanthropy, through this office the past three years as follows:

	1939	1940	1941
Number of churches giving to some cause	1,095	1,119	1,215
Number churches giving to Co-oprative Program	865	865	926
Number churches giving to Now Club	451	442	735

This means contributions to causes of Christ beyond the local church.

We should have 1552 of our Lord's churches in Mississippi bringing offerings in all three columns this year, 1942.

See that your church, if it is His church, does that thing!

## II

Our FOURTH Mississippi Baptist Evangelistic Conference is history. In some ways it was the greatest meeting we have ever attended—so said many others!

Pastor Sullivan said at least 1,000 people were present Wednesday night, and over 1,200 were present the closing session. Over 200 pastors stayed overnight. Many others drove in daily. We want all our 667 pastors next year.

We were called to confession of sin, prayer, consecration, the Cross of Christ, preaching His Word, doing His Work!

The Cause of Christ was surely set forward immeasurably.

We again, from this distance, thank everyone who had a part.

We thank our Heavenly Father for making it all possible. Doxology!

## III

This year we have all the work of evangelism before us. There is church evangelism, home evangelism, mass evangelism, rural evangelism, city evangelism, statewide evangelism.

There is the annual revival; there is the soul-winning study course. We may distribute portions of the Word of God; we may give out tracts on God's way of life; we may pray for the lost; we may cultivate and train the saved that they may become efficient soul-winners by His Spirit.

There are plans for the great 1943 statewide evangelistic effort. It will likely come within the first six months of next year. It will be personal, yet church-wide, association-wide, and state-wide. Doxology!

## IV

The Cooperative Program is the great channel feeding and supporting all the causes, dear to the heart of Jesus, beyond the local churches. In addition it supports many smaller and weaker churches.

We believe it to be the greatest single interpretation of New Testament Stewardship in financing that we know anything about. The 100 churches listed below in groups of 25 led the 1500 churches in the State in support to the Cooperative Program:

### FIRST GROUP

1. Jackson First	\$5,381.06
2. Hattiesburg, First	4,549.48
3. Vicksburg, First	4,296.45
4. Meridian, First	3,866.67
5. Jackson, Calvary	3,859.63
6. McComb, First	3,013.23
7. Greenwood, First	2,831.33
8. Tupelo, Calvary	2,715.33
9. Brookhaven, First	2,571.90
10. Leland	2,459.11

11. Canton, First	2,446.62
12. Grenada, First	2,400.87
13. Laurel, First	2,084.69
14. Clinton	1,955.10
15. Picayune	1,780.86
16. Jackson, Griffith	1,670.83
17. Kosciusko, First	900.09
18. Clarksdale	1,362.61
19. Prentiss	1,350.18
20. Corinth, First	1,338.38
21. Crystal Springs	1,333.80
22. Drew	1,289.53
24. Lowrey Memorial	1,200.48
25. Louisville	1,200.00
25. Starkville	1,200.00

### SECOND GROUP

1. Hattiesburg, Main Street	\$1,171.79
2. Magee	1,041.05
3. Laurel, West	1,034.25
4. Columbia	1,018.15
5. Tylertown	991.02
6. Jackson, Parkway	928.00
7. Columbus, First	900.00
8. Bay Springs	881.00
9. Greenville, First	866.64
10. Yazoo City	836.20
11. New Albany	827.37
12. Booneville	825.00
13. Sardis	787.59
14. Forest	780.00
15. Salem (Covington)	748.17
16. Holly Springs	747.40
17. Pontotoc	745.62
18. Newton	735.00
19. Calhoun City	715.00
20. Laurel, Second Avenue	659.65
21. Meridian, Poplar Springs	659.50
22. West Point	634.45
23. Quitman	628.00
24. Philadelphia	607.88
25. Indianola	540.93

### THIRD GROUP

1. Water Valley	\$ 537.00
2. Walker Hanks Memorial, Shaw	535.54
3. Meridian, Highland	515.00
4. Oak Grove (Lauderdale)	512.00
5. Amory	500.39
6. Mendenhall	500.00
6. Walnut Grove	500.00
7. Rolling Fork	497.97
8. Collings	480.44
9. Oxford, First	475.43
10. Lucedale	447.70
11. McComb, Central	443.75
12. Webb	424.00
13. Ellisville	415.42
14. Belzoni	414.14
15. Morton	400.01
16. Hazelhurst	400.00
17. Charleston	392.63
18. Galilee, Gloster	387.54
19. Meridian, Eighth Avenue	366.59
21. Moss Point, First	363.00
22. Carriere	357.35
22. Waynesboro	350.24
23. Inverness	350.00
24. Sumner	348.56
25. Hattiesburg, Fifth Ave.	342.00

### FOURTH GROUP

1. Biloxi, First	\$ 339.16
2. McComb, East	325.00
3. Magnolia	322.50
5. Poplarville	320.55
5. Decatur	320.00
5. Lumberton	320.00
6. Union (Newton County)	312.82
7. Port Gibson	311.83
8. Monticello	304.72
9. Durant	304.00
10. Steens Creek Florence	302.67
11. Marks	301.34
14. Eupora	300.00
12. Kewanee	300.00
12. Pascagoula	300.00
12. Richton	300.00
13. Ripley	285.00
14. Jackson, North Side	280.00
15. Itta Bena	275.00
15. McComb, South	275.00
16. Okolona	270.00
17. Seminary	260.00

## SPRINGTIME AT THE ORPHANAGE AND THE ORPHANAGE EASTER (By Mrs. W. G. Mize)

Springtime is a happy time, especially with children. Because we have boys and girls who never receive a card, letter or package addressed especially to them, we are trying a new plan this year. The names of all children who are not supported by some organization were mailed out to some of our Sunday school superintendents asking that they secure a class or department to provide that particular child with an Easter outfit.

The response has been most heartening. The children were delighted to know that they would be remembered. Have you ever been away from all your loved ones and longed for a word from someone to let you know you were not forgotten?

Expressions coming to us from pastors, Sunday school superintendents, missionary societies, departments, classes and individuals show their wonderful spirit.

"Dear Brother: Look for Easter outfits for the two boys of ours real soon, Love."

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

"Dear Sir: I am mailing by today's mail, the clothing you asked for in your letter of March 5th. I read you letter to the Sunday school and had no trouble at all getting enough money to buy the things you asked for. I hope you get all the clothing you need for all your children for Easter."

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

"Dear Sir: Our Sunday school class will be glad to outfit this little girl for Easter. We took care of twin girls at one time until they were graduated."

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

"Dear Bro. Mize: Our Sunday school will be glad to fix the little boy up in tip top shape."

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

"Dear Mr. Mize: Replying to your letter of the 3rd. This letter was turned over to the president of the Men's Bible Class and they responded 100%. I was present at the time and when nineteen had walked up and given their donation it just did my heart good to see how those men responded to your letter. It was their suggestion that the child be allowed to go with the one that bought the clothes, and if it were not against your rules, that she be allowed to make her choice, within reason. They also suggested that if you thought this amount too much to spend on her to spend it on two or more. If at any future date we can be of any assistance to you in your great work, please do not hesitate to call on us."

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

The money we receive from the Cooperative Program, Mother's Day and Thanksgiving assists us in a great way in taking care of the general needs of the Orphanage, but clothes at Easter time for the children is just another love gift letting the children know again how much their Mississippi Baptist friends mean to them. We may call it another of "Life's Extras." Many times have we seen a boy or girl, shy and ill at ease until given new clothes like other children were wearing, then estimation of themselves rose by leaps and bounds. Give a plain unattractive girl a "permanent" in one of the beauty schools here and she is a new creature. Again "clothes do not make the man or woman but it helps the man or woman to make themselves."

The Orphanage and children are truly grateful for your every remembrance.

—BR—

The Antioch Baptist Church in Simpson County had one of the best days in recent months on March 22, with a good mission offering of above \$12, and splendid crowds at all the services. The pastor, H. A. Milner, is delighted with the response of this fine group of workers, and counts his church among the best in the state.

18. Lexington	256.01
19. Byhalia	250.00
19. Hattiesburg, ThirtyEighth Avenue	250.00
20. Hickory	245.35
21. Mt. Carmel (Winston)	242.62
23. Pickens	233.35
24. Briar Hill (Rankin)	233.03
25. Hattiesburg-Immanuel	231.85



## GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH, Circulation Manager

Our Text: 1 Timothy 4:13a and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL." Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."

### ANOTHER CHURCH GOES EVERY FAMILY



E. A. McGRIFF

Recently Rev. E. A. McGriff, pastor of Lake Baptist Church, decided that if The Baptist Record was good for part of his people it was good for all of them. He explained to them the EVERY FAMILY PLAN. They liked it, they adopted it, they sent in their list.

Pastor McGriff reports progress along all lines at Lake, where he now lives.

### EVERY FAMILY PLAN Scores Again

In last week's Record we published the list of the twenty-five churches leading in contributions to the Now Club. In looking over the list it is significant that twenty of the twenty-five churches were EVERY FAMILY churches. THE EVERY FAMILY PLAN DOES HELP.

We also published the list of the second 25 leading Now Club churches. AND 22 of these were EVERY FAMILY churches. Somehow the EVERY FAMILY churches are usually very much among the leaders.

And we found the third twenty-five churches following the same pattern. Twenty of the 25 were either EVERY FAMILY or fifty per cent churches. The EVERY FAMILY Plan does help.

### Glenfield

Percy Ray doesn't bother about dedicating churches one by one; he does it two by two.

We were invited to take part in the Glenfield and Hurricane dedications. Both of these churches were dedicated on the same Sunday. Glenfield is on the edge of New Albany. They have built and paid for a well-planned brick building that would be an honor to several towns in Mississippi. The house was filled for the 11:00 o'clock preaching hour. We took for our subject, "Dedicated Lives."

A delightful picnic dinner was served at the close of the morning service. Dr. Lawrence preached in the afternoon. Percy Ray is the well beloved pastor of this good church, which means that things DO move. Union County Baptist Record readers are now listed as follows: Blue Springs 2, Route 3, Blue Springs 1, GLENFIELD 43, MYRTLE 45, NEW ALBANY 252, WALLERVILLE 43, Anaziah 3, Jericho 3, Ingomar 1, Pleasantdale 3, Rock Branch 1, Etta 1.

### HURRICANE

While we preached in the morning at Glenfield, Dr. J. B. Lawrence preached at Hurricane. We then switched places, and while Dr. Lawrence preached at Glenfield in the afternoon the writer preached at Hurricane.

Hurricane is one of the leading country churches in Pontotoc County. The pastor is Rev. Frank Cox. After a revival a little more than a year ago, led by Rev. Percy Ray, the church decided to build, and when Hurricane decides, they decide all over. They

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## NOW CLUB

DOUBLING THE FIVE THOUSAND CLUB

A DEBTLESS DENOMINATION BEFORE 1945

HONESTY \* LOYALTY \* VICTORY

I

We had a great meeting of District Now Club Chairmen recently. Both men and women members showed real determination in going on until final victory is attained.

They said "We must call \$100,000 in bonds June first." It can be done! It will be done if 280,000 Mississippi Baptists send the money in time.

Remember! We reserve monies for this purpose from a per cent of the Cooperative Program, the 5M Club, and the Now Club. Thus, all monies on hand should be sent in.

FIRST, by April 25th.

SECOND, by June 1st.

II

Do you know that Mississippi Baptists owe more than any other State group among Southern Baptists, except Texas? Texas has several times the reserves and resources. This is according to a compilation, some months ago, by the S. B. C. Executive Committee. There is small use to complain about it.

First, attend the State Convention and vote against increased indebtedness.

Second, be a generous contributor to the Now Club, thus helping wipe out present indebtedness. Mississippi Baptists who care are doing something about this debt business.

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"QED"

As a student in high school it was necessary to take a course in geometry. One thing about geometry clings to my memory: when a problem or theorem was completed the teacher would have us write "QED" at the bottom of the blackboard. Just what "QED" means is not recalled but when we wrote "QED" we knew we were through with that problem; we knew we had finished; we knew the job was done; we knew the task had been completed; and we knew we could forget (and we usually did forget) that particular work.

Recently Mississippi Baptist faced a \$25,000 bonded debt. It was a burden; it was a handicap; it was a fetter; it was a barrier; it was an obstacle; it was a problem. A plan known as "The Now Club" was devised and adopted as a means to retire these bonds in three years.

So far the "Now Club" has been most successful. Hundreds of churches and thousands of individuals are pooling their gifts, small and large, in this great debt paying campaign. On December the first \$100,000 in bonds were retired. In June another \$100,000 will be retired. By December, 1942, we will be past the half-way point in this debt-paying campaign.

In March over \$15,000 in new "Now Club" pledges were received in the state office. This means that more churches and more individuals are joining in this "all-out" campaign to pay Baptist debts by 1943. Other churches will be accepting their goals in the near future. The "Now Club" will succeed. Loyal Mississippi Baptists will see to that.

The success of the "Now Club" and the payment of all our bonded debt by 1943 will have a fine effect on our denomination. It will mean that once more Mississippi Baptists will complete a big job. It will mean another task finished; another handicap removed; another obstacle overcome. It will mean a great victory of the Lord; it will mean impetus to the cause of Christ, it will mean new work in fields now white unto harvest.

And the "Now Club" will mean that Mississippi Baptists can write "QED" to their bonded debt. This will be possible because you and your church will do your part.

OWEN COOPER,

District Chairman, "Now Club."

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Adaton: We have had six additions to our church in the last two Sundays. Our pastor is the Rev. R. L. Ray, Jr.—Genevieve Claridy, reporter.

A minister in Alabama, whose health is broken, writes with reference to the pastor's retirement plan: "If all of our pastors could come to realize the real benefit of the pastors' retirement plan to those who are unable longer to preach on account of age or sickness they would enter it more heartily. I did this and I urged my four churches to send in their dues and I sent mine in promptly. Shortly I fell victim to paralysis and my first check from this fund was twice as large as I had expected. Feeling the Board had made a mistake, I wrote asking if they had not made a mistake in sending me the check. The reply was 'it is all yours and no mistake has been made,' and this poor old preacher wept with joy." All pastors in this state and all of our churches ought to be in this plan for sooner or later they will need it just as this brother needs it now.—Alabama Baptist.

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The Church at Holly Springs will have Dr. L. G. Gates of Laurel with them in a Stewardship Revival the second week in April. This church, which is recognized for the large number of tithers, is to make a special effort to lead others in discharging this sense of obligation to God, and experiencing the joy that comes from a sense of doing what is right.—Edward L. Byrd.

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Calvary Church in Jackson reports a peak attendance and a peak offering on Sunday, April 5. Two hundred and thirty extra chairs were placed in the auditorium and balcony. The offerings amounted to \$1568.43, and \$201.00 for Emergency Relief.

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Southside, Jackson — Beginning April 19 the Southside Baptist church in Jackson will have a series of revival services with preaching in the morning and evening each day. The visiting preacher will be Rev. D. Wade Smith of Parson, Tenn. The pastor, Rev. Percy Cooper, will lead the singing, and the regular Wednesday evening prayer service at the church will feature earnest petitions for the revival. The services for the revival will be held at the church located at 666 S. Congress, and the church is extending an invitation to the public to attend all services.

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### TO THE HOMES OF THE RED-LICK BAPTIST CHURCH

My dear co-laborers in Christ:

Your homes will be the recipients of our State Baptist Paper, The Baptist Record during the month of April beginning with this week's number as a compliment from your pastor. I trust that you will receive as much joy from reading it as I get by making it possible for you to get it. I am praying that you will read it each week, prayerfully, that your homes may become brighter informed about Baptist affairs in the state and through out the world and that you will become more efficient in and loyal to the services and work of your church. Sincerely your Pastor. — R. A. Eddleman.

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Decatur: March was a great month for Missions in the Decatur Baptist Church when \$50.00 were sent to the Cooperative Program; \$83.58 for the Now Club; \$25.58 for Home and Foreign Missions from the Sunday School. The W. M. U. and its auxiliaries sent \$61.85 for the Ann'e Armstrong Home Mission offering. Thus we were happy to see \$220.51 in March to go for causes beyond the local church. Not one cent of the offerings from Sunday school or church on the fifth Sunday went to local uses.—C. B. Hamlet, III, pastor.

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Straton: I am taking this opportunity to remind all the members of Stratton Baptist church of Newton county that their regular Mission offering will be taken the second Sunday afternoon in April. Let everyone of us plan to do our best for the Lord's cause. — C. B. Hamlet, III, Pastor.

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The First Baptist Church of Ponca City, Okla., Dr. A. F. Crittendon, pastor, sends the state paper, the Baptist Messenger, into all the home of the church. In February all budget accounts were paid and there was a balance of \$506.95 in the treasury. Just as the EVERY FAMILY plan helps in Mississippi, so it does in Oklahoma.



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# IMPORTANCE OF THE BORDER

Southern Baptists' Convention City Of  
San Antonio Is Center Of Strategically  
Important Mission Field

BY J. L. MOYE

Superintendent Home Mission Board  
Work In Texas

Baptists eyes are turned toward San Antonio and the great Southwest in anticipation of the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in the Alamo City of Texas, May 16-20.

To Baptists this great western country means a vast mission field even as yet not fully explored in all of its spiritual potentialities—a field which means not only a direct access to over 1,000,000 of the Latin race in Texas but also through them an indirect and effective approach to our neighbor republic of Mexico.

The importance of the Border, as this whole area above the Rio Grande is called, cannot be fully appreciated by anyone who does not live here. San Antonio has 127,000 Mexicans; El Paso, 80,000; Laredo, 36,000; Corpus Christi, 15,000; Houston, 30,000. The Rio Grande Valley is 50 per cent Mexican.

The migratory phase of the situation creates a problem, in that it makes it hard to build up strong self-supporting churches, but at the same time it is one of our greatest opportunities.

## 3,000 Missionaries To Mexico

Dr. J. B. Lawrence states in his tract "The Challenge of the Foreigner": "In the last two and one-half years more than 600,000 Mexicans have returned to old Mexico from Texas and New Mexico. Out of this number at least 3,000 were Baptists, won to Christ by the missionaries of the Home Mission Board."

What became of these Baptists? They have organized and helped to organize a number of churches in old Mexico. Wherever they have gone they have been missionaries of the cross of Christ.

Can you imagine what the return of 600,000 saved and trained people would have meant to the great republic of Mexico—Mexico, the land of the poor, and yet the land of the greatest natural resources of the world? At this very moment hundreds of Latins are going across the Rio Grande.

There are 1,000,000 of the Latin race in Texas who look to Southern Baptists for the true Christian doctrine and their future happiness and safety in Christ.

The Mexican of yesterday felt very deeply that he was a stranger within our gates. He felt that he was a man without a country. As a rule he was in every sense of the word economically handicapped, dependent upon his American friends who were not always as friendly as one could wish, and because of language barriers he generally felt himself to be very much alone.

## Mexicans Becoming One Of Us

The Mexican of today is becoming more and more one of us. The Mexican children attend our public schools along with the other children and as they learn to read and write the English language they have a different viewpoint. The language barrier being overcome, the Mexican feels that he is a part of the country and its life.

In Texas thousands of Mexican business men are taking their place in the business world. In many cases we can see that the Mexican has a great influence on the body politic, for it is not an uncommon thing in some elections in Texas for the Mexicans to cast the deciding ballot.

The Christian Mexican of today is a great asset to the community, while the non-Christian Mexican may be a hindrance, especially in questions of politics. One million Mexicans in the state of Texas would indicate that the entire state is greatly influenced by them. Everywhere you go you can see the influence of the Spanish race.

## Greater Recognition Needed

The Mexican of tomorrow must receive greater recognition. He has in many instances been overlooked. The transient Mexican population has created an economic problem which entirely overlooks his needs. They are slaves of cir-

cumstances. These conditions should and must be improved.

Properly dealt with, the Mexican can and will become a great blessing, but maltreated he may become a menace. As the great Lincoln said: "This country cannot remain half slave and half free." Among this group of underprivileged people within our gates, we have an opportunity to render a wonderful service to our fellowman, to our country and to the kingdom of God.

For many years the Home Mission Board has worked with the Mexicans. As a result of that work the Mexican State Convention of Texas was organized thirty years ago. From the day of its organization the Convention has grown until we have more than 100 churches and 120 missions, with a membership of more than 10,000. We now have 109 missionaries among the Mexicans in Texas.

Visible results of the Mexican work in Texas last year include 1,553 additions to the churches, 1,256 coming by baptism. There were eighty-four Vacation Bible Schools with an enrollment of 5,400. Our mission churches gave a total of \$20,000 for all purposes, \$3,000 of this amount being for missions. To me, nothing expresses the progress being made like the aggressive spirit of the Mexican people.

We are going onward with Christ in training our people and winning the lost. The institutes and conferences as well as local training classes are doing much good.

Nothing will so help our work as the Ida Pearl Bell scholarships for ministerial students and missionary volunteers. This year we have ten women and fifteen men in colleges and seminaries. We expect to have an increase in this enrollment in September.

## Striving Toward A Worthy Goal

We are going onward in erecting adequate houses of worship. All over this area the Board has many good places of worship. One of our neatest and most usable mission properties is the recently rebuilt Zarzamora building here in San Antonio. There are two other churches in San Antonio which represent Home Mission work, First Mexican and Calvary.

Mexican and American churches are helping in providing better houses of worship. We are grateful to all who have had any part in the construction of these churches.

So we press onward with a worthy program of work. Many churches are developing their various organizations. Churches that never had budgets have put them on with good results. Some churches are giving much more than ever before. This has rekindled the spirit of evangelism among the people.

All in all, 1941 has been a good year. We have not attained, but we are pressing toward the mark. Desperate needs are before us everywhere. We have many calls for workers and chapels which cannot be met. This mission field is wide open for the Gospel. Put the Mexican on your heart and keep him in your prayers.

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## STORM DESTROYS BUCHANAN CHURCH

The storm that swept through Mississippi on March 16 completely destroyed Buchanan Baptist Church building located five miles southwest of Ecu. The building had just been almost completed and the people had really sacrificed. Many homes were destroyed also. The people are very poor people and many of them did without the very necessities of life to build this building and now it is gone and they are not able to re-build but a church building is really needed in this locality. Will you please send a contribution to Rev. Percy Ray, Myrtle, Mississippi, who is missionary of the Southern Baptist Convention? He has agreed to assist in re-building by giving his time if others will help with their money. Won't you please send a contribution to help these poor people re-build a place to worship in? Remember, the storm may pass your way next so heed this call and help us. Do it now.

# ELECTED TO FEATURE SECTION



Blue Mountain, Miss., March 19—These students were elected to the feature section of THE MOUNTAINEER, Blue Mountain College yearbook just off the press. Top row, left to right: Mae Blanche Sensing, Nashville, Tenn., May Queen; Charlotte Dunagin, Decatur, Maid of Honor; Marion Dempsey, Lexington, Massachusetts, Best All-Round Girl. Middle row, left to right: Cynthia Jo Hall, Eclectic, Ala., Most Capable; Charlotte Flippin, Kerrville, Tenn., Most Intellectual; June Russell, Philadelphia, Poise. Bottom row, left to right: Evelyn Cockerham, Gunnison, Most Athletic; Mary Elizabeth Long, Vicksburg, Friendliest; Iris Hill, Sumter, S. C., Typical Freshman.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL AND B.T.U.

### ATTENDANCE APRIL 5

	S.S.	B.T.U.
Jackson, Calvary	1139	257
Jackson, Griffith	787	319
Hazlehurst	269	
Webb	71	58
West Laurel	681	143
Bowmar Avenue, Vicksburg	102	
Jackson, First	1060	284
Burnsville	38	34
Wallerville	125	65
Olive Branch	111	41
Enon (Panola)	97	90
Antioch (Attala)	7	
Louisville First	354	72
Springfield (Scott)	127	48
Monte Vista	73	30
West Side, Natchez	120	
Pinola	43	
Corinth, First	286	
Crystal Springs	371	109
Bethlehem (Jones)	62	62
Vicksburg, First	508	136
Kosciusko	409	160
Coffeeville	107	61

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## CHASTISINGS

Chastisings now the nations bear,  
For debts long overdue;  
For rights denied—tasks without care,  
Charity lost to view.

The poor distressed, the weak cast down,  
Childhood and age oppressed;  
The greed for power so often shown,  
That has the world embraced,

Though crushed to earth, we yet shall rise,  
Through Jesus King of Grace;  
Our trials vanish in surprise,  
When we shall see His face.

Ernest O. Sellers,  
Baptist Bible Institute,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.

## HIGHLAND CHURCH, MERIDIAN

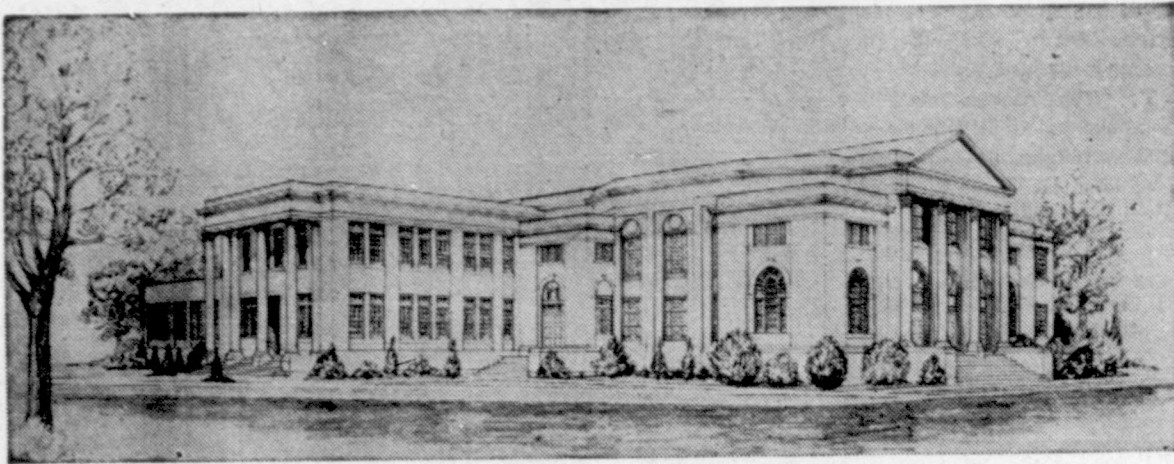
We have now been with the people of Highland Baptist Church, Meridian, three weeks. The people have given us a warm welcome and we have been well received by all. The Church gave us a reception last Thursday evening to which the public was invited. Their kindnesses have been many, their numerous pledges of cooperation have been an inspiration, and the response with which we have met since arriving on the field has been encouraging. We have found a fine group of people here who are ready to go forward. They seem to love the Lord and His church and delight to have a part in His service. It rejoices our hearts to be with Highland Baptist Church, to see the unnumbered possibilities for service and growth, but the burden of our hearts is to know that the Lord has been able to make use of our ministry in the doing of His will in Meridian.

It was with reluctance that I tendered my resignation to the church at Pontotoc. A very fruitful ministry of six and one-half years in that church endeared the people to our hearts. I can truthfully say that the last year with those good people was the best and happiest of all. Their gifts to all purposes amounted to approximately \$35,000.00. During this time there was a net increase of 192 members with a total of 341 members received into the church. The present membership is a little more than 800. One of the things that rejoiced our hearts most was the large number of young people that responded to the pastor's leadership. The people of Pontotoc Baptist Church were most gracious to us. They are a great people and that is a great church as you well know.

B. B. HILBUN.



## NEW BAPTIST CHURCH, HATTIESBURG



Main Street Baptist Church at Hattiesburg, which was destroyed by fire November, 1940, has been rebuilt, and the first services in the new building will be held on Sunday morning, April 12.

The Sunday School will meet at the High School at 9:15, where they have been worshipping, and march in a body to the church, where they will have their first Sunday School service in the new building.

The regular 11:00 o'clock preaching hour will follow, with Dr. J. A. Barnhill, pastor in charge. At 2:30 in the afternoon services will be held, with both living, former pastors present, and each bringing a message. They are Dr. J. E. Wills of Newton, Miss., and Dr. E. D. Solomon, editor of the Florida Baptist

Witness, of Jacksonville, Florida. —

B. T. U. services will be held at 7:00 p.m. and at 8:00 o'clock the senior choir will render an Easter cantata.

The foundation of the old building has been used in the new building, although the arrangement in the inside has been changed completely. An adjoining lot was purchased, which enabled them to have about twice as much floor space as before. They now have a nice, large auditorium, with Sunday school facilities to care for one thousand. The building is well arranged and well equipped.

Dr. J. A. Barnhill, the beloved pastor, has wisely led, not only before the fire, but during the days of rebuilding.

## AN URGENT APPEAL

Cochran Field, Macon, Ga.,  
April 4, 1942

Editor,  
The Baptist Record,  
Jackson, Miss.

Dear Bro. Goodrich:

With the ever growing numbers of men in the services of the Army and Navy, I want to tell you of an existing condition here at Cochran Field which I am confident exists in other camps.

I receive a number of the Baptist state papers, which I pass on to the post library for the men. But often the men drop into my office and ask about the papers. They say they even read the advertising, they are so glad to read about the church and anything that happens at home.

I appeal to every church to send the Baptist Record to its every member in the service. It is good missions. They can get everything that is unwholesome to read, why not send them the Record so they will not forget their church back at home. Its good advertising for your church.

We are doing our best to enlist every Baptist that comes into the camp. Pray for our work.

P. F. HERRING,  
Captain,  
Post Chaplain.

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## PASTORS' CONFERENCE S. B. C.

San Antonio, Texas

Dr. M. E. Dodd, Chairman

The pre-convention pastors' conference will be held in the First Baptist Church, San Antonio, Thursday evening, May the 14th., and all day Friday, May the 15th.

Some of the speakers will be: Dr. Roland Q. Leavell of Florida; Dr. C. Oscar Johnson of St. Louis; Dr. Robert G. Lee of Memphis; Dr. Augie Henry of Oklahoma; Dr. Fred T. Moffitt of Kentucky; Dr. H. H. Hobbs of Louisiana; Dr. John D. Freeman of Nashville; Dr. F. F. Brown of Knoxville; Dr. James H. Ivey of Missouri; others have been invited whose acceptances have not yet been received. The subjects for discussion will deal with the pastor's personal and public problems relating to the church, the denomination and the state.

DR. M. E. DODD  
Pastor, First Baptist Church  
Shreveport, Louisiana

The Baptists of Great Britain are celebrating this year the 150th anniversary of the founding of the Baptist Missionary Society. The celebration will start with the annual meetings in London in the spring and will continue in the provinces throughout the year. There will be a ceremony at Kettering on October 2 in the house which belonged to Widow Wallis in 1792, but which now belongs to the Society, and has been used as an office since the headquarters were wrecked by bombs early in the war. Baptist women will be holding all over England this year Widow Wallis tea parties to which fourteen persons will be invited to correspond to the number who met 150 years ago to launch the modern mission enterprise. They will be expected to give 13 pounds 2:6 (about \$63.65) as at the beginning. In addition to this the denomination is starting out to raise 150,000 guineas (about \$600,000 at the present rate of exchange) over and above their regular offerings to meet special needs growing mainly out of the war.

The rapid expansion of navy forces calls for an ever-increasing number of navy chaplains. This growing demand for Baptist chaplains should find a responsive chord in the hearts of many of our preachers. Southern Baptists have endorsed eighteen chaplains to the navy since January 1. Now the navy sends an urgent request for twenty-five additional chaplains. This is the largest number sought from any religious group, evidently because Baptists' quotas have not been proportionately filled. While the navy makes no exception in educational standards, yet experience in the ministry is not necessary, as a chaplain's school provides brief, intensive training to determine the candidate's ability as a navy chaplain. The challenge to service, the clear-cut high requirements and the need of a spiritual ministry in the navy should appeal not only to seminary graduates but to pastors from all sections of our country.

Highland, Meridian: We had another good day in our church yesterday. The Sunday school attendance was 284. The B. T. U. attendance was 89. We received nine new members, six of them were for baptism and three received by letter. The ordinance of baptism was administered to twenty-two new converts at the close of the evening services. Others await baptism. The house was filled for both worship services. Our three-story Sunday school addition is nearing completion. How we need it!—B. B. Hilbun, pastor.

Brookhaven: Brookhaven Sunday school gave \$150.00 to the special mission offering on March 29.

## Pastoral Problems

By Norman W. Cox

## "DON'T LECTURE ME"

Again and again we have to deal with problem people. Not long ago an itinerant drunk came by to see me, asking for food and a night's lodging. He claimed that he lived in a town where once I was pastor. He was intoxicated at the time he called on me. He asked me to give him a room at the hotel and supper and breakfast. When I said to him, "If you had saved the money which you have used to become intoxicated you would be able to take care of your food and lodging," he drew himself up very erect and answered, "Don't lecture me. I am capable of tending to my own business."

This insolence and his remark opens a window from which we can survey several problems which confront the average pastor. We have different kinds of people with different kinds of ills. They would not have these problems, or would not need any help, if they would manage their affairs sensibly or righteously. They, as a rule, do not want advice. They have no intention of managing their affairs in a reasonable or sensible way. They want assistance to enable them to do what will aggravate their problem. Sometimes these people are very insistent. They expect the preacher to assist them or get them assistance to take care of the necessities of life while they waste their talent, energies, or substance on the things that either are of no value, or that do actual harm.

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## WE THANK YOU, FRIENDS

It is through the generosity of the twenty-three cooperating stations that the programs of the Baptist Hour—January through March—were heard throughout the South, much of the North, and in Canada and Central America. Southern Baptists, generally, and the Radio Committee in particular, are profoundly grateful to the management of every one of these stations for this splendid courtesy. We trust that all of the Baptists of Mississippi will write a personal note of appreciation to Station WSLI and to any other station over which the message was heard. This may seem a little thing, but it certainly is the Christian thing to do.

It is through the assistance of Editor Goodrich and The Baptist Record that we were able to keep the Baptists of Mississippi informed about the programs and other phases of The Baptist Hour. Southern Baptists are absolutely dependent on the Baptist press to keep the people informed on any matter. We are sincerely grateful to Editor Goodrich for his continued help.

It is through the real sacrifice and splendid service of the speakers, together with their choirs and other singing units that the programs have been so excellent as to elicit expressions of satisfaction and endorsement from the radio world as well as the Baptist Hour audience. Undoubtedly a substantial contribution to the spiritual progress of the Southern Baptist Convention territory has been made. For this we are deeply grateful to all who were on the programs.

We are also especially indebted to Mr. Edwin S. Preston, vice-chairman of the radio committee, S. B. C., under whose management the programs were produced.

Many Mississippi churches as well as individuals have also responded to the opportunity to help pay the line charges and other expenses of the Baptist Hour by contributing a total of \$634 on a goal of \$988. Others are responding and the financial goal will be reached. We are grateful to Mississippi Baptists for this response to the call of Southern Baptists in this new field of service.

S. F. LOWE.

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WANTED: The names of Sunday Schools that have been STANDARD for ten or more consecutive years.—The Baptist Record.

A church that won't revive won't survive.



## Sparks and Splinters

The Baptists of Germany has united with some smaller groups that practiced believers' immersion. These others were in all essentials Baptists. Unfortunately, the word **Baptist** was dropped from the name of the new union. The *Wahrheitszeuge*, the organ of the Baptist churches of Germany, is no longer published. It is reported that all religious papers in Germany have been suspended. The reason given is shortage of paper. It is also reported that no religious conventions may be held which necessitate travel on the railways.

The World Council of Churches with headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland, having access to the war prison camps of Europe, has been allowed by the German authorities to distribute Russian New Testaments among Russian soldiers in the hands of the Germans. The appeal of the American Bible Society for funds to help in this work has met a generous response on the part of Northern and Southern Baptists. Baptist workers in Poland who speak Russian and who have been helping in the distribution of Testaments report that many of the Soviet soldiers were very eager to get the Scriptures.

**WANTED:** The names of Sunday school superintendents who have served for twenty or more years.—The Baptist Record.

Dr. M. E. Dodd was quoted recently as saying: "A non-reading Baptist is a non-informed Baptist. A non-informed Baptist is a non-interested Baptist. A non-interested Baptist is a non-cooperating Baptist. A non-cooperating Baptist is just not much of a Baptist." Yes, a non-informed Baptist is a non-interested Baptist, and truly not much of a Baptist. Evidence to corroborate this fact is on every hand.

**Handsboro Baptist Church has called Rev. W. T. Miller as pastor.** He accepted the call on Feb. 1. Since that time the church has become self-supporting. The attendance has increased 100% in Sunday school and church services. Six new members were added to the church during the month of March. Rev. and Mrs. Miller and infant son are residing at the parsonage. Rev. Miller is also pastor of the Bowen Memorial Baptist Church at Fernwood.—Mrs. George Bennett, reporter.

**DAN MOULDER, THE FLAMING UNTIRING COUNTRY PREACHER.** This is a splendid volume on the life of a great preacher and contains many individual and family pictures which are most interesting. It reveals the triumphs and victories of a true soldier of the Cross, a true life story from infancy to old age, written in a most captivating manner, printed in good, large, readable type. It is a book that you will enjoy and one that you will re-read and get a blessing from long after Bro. Moulder has gone to Heaven. The book can be ordered from Rev. C. S. Moulder, Hattiesburg, for \$1.—James Thorn.

**Williamsburg, Covington County:** During the past 13 months we have added 19 members, 12 for baptism and 7 by letter. We have painted the church on the outside and put in new lights. Just now we are in the midst of building four new Sunday school rooms and the ladies have been busy putting shrubs all around the building. On March 22, the church voted to go to half-time. It is in the minds of the members to form a definite budget and be loyal supporters of the entire Baptist program. We hope to reach the EVERY FAMILY Plan before many months pass by. (Amen. A. L. G.)—W. Harold Anderson, pastor.

**Since Mississippi College has annexed Hillman** and adopted the accelerated plan, school will be in session 48 weeks a year. New students can enter at the beginning of any of the six weeks' terms. The next term begins April 13.

**Decatur:** The fifth Sunday in March was a great day for the Decatur Baptist Church. At the opening of the Sunday school a fine mission program was presented. The pastor was happy to have one of his Seminary friends of days gone by, Brother W. R. Medling, of Harpersville, to bring the morning message. He stirred our hearts with a warm mission sermon. A fine inspirational program on missions and giving was presented at the close of the Training Union by our Intermediate G. A's. This

program was written and conducted by the G. A's themselves under the fine leadership of their leader, Miss Lonnie Mae Fancher. The pastor was privileged to baptize two young men at the beginning of the evening gospel hour. All of the offerings of the day went to causes beyond the local church—C. B. Hamlet, III, pastor.

**God has promised to keep His people and He will keep His promise.**

The Glen Allen Baptist Church has invited 75 soldiers from the air base at Greenville for Mother's and Father's Day. The proposal is that the church may spiritually mother them on that occasion. The government will convoy the soldiers to the Glen Allen Church. The entertainment committee will meet them with either white or red roses. Those who have invited the soldiers will sit in family style with them. The family will take the soldiers that they have invited to their home for dinner and to spend the afternoon. Later in the afternoon they will return to the church where the convoy will return them to the air base.—E. C. Farr.

The Baptist Record would like very much to have the following 1941 minutes: Benton, Chickasaw, George, Itawamba, Lawrence, Madison, Mississippi, Montgomery, Neshoba, Pearl River, Perry, Prentiss, Riverside, Sunflower, Tate, Wayne, Winston, Yazoo and Zion.

The doubters are not among the shouters.

**WANTED:** The names of deacons who have served for twenty or more years.—The Baptist Record.

"It has been my chief interest and greatest joy to work with Intermediates for the past SEVENTEEN Years."—Mrs. F. P. Pates, 146 Porter Ave., Biloxi, Miss.

**Growth In Wahiawa —** The church building at Wahiawa has just been completed and the dedication service was held March 15. Rev. James D. Belote is pastor of this church. Our missionaries report that the building is a beautiful one and that the people have responded in a wonderful way, giving about \$1,500 to date. There is a fine spirit in the church, and a Sunday school with over a hundred pupils is doing a great work. (Mrs. Belote is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Begham of Webb.) Editor.

**Stranded In Europe —** Mr. and Mrs. Roy Starmer are still in Lisbon waiting for a boat to bring them to the United States. They arrived in Portugal a short time after the departure of the boat on which Rev. and Mrs. John Allen Moore and Miss Ruby Daniel sailed.

**Honolulu —** Baptist missionaries in Honolulu are having excellent opportunities to contact Baptist boys in service. Mr. Victor Koon suggests that friends at home should write to the boys they know and give them the addresses of missionaries in Honolulu. If the men in service will look up the missionaries much time will be saved.

**At the Southern Baptist Convention in Baltimore** in 1940, Southern Baptists pledged two hundred thousand dollars to help British Baptists in their Foreign Mission program. The final six thousand of this sum has just been sent to England.

### WET PROPAGANDA BACKFIRES

Old Kentucky, Kentucky of the boasted mint julep, race horses, beautiful women, and distilleries, acknowledged king-pin moonshine state of the nation, the state which last year made as much legal whiskey as the combined 47 states of the Union—is going dry faster than any other state. And when territory goes dry in Kentucky, the voters aren't foolin'. Everything above one per cent goes out.

A count just made shows that 1,509 voting units are now dry, including 55 entire counties and from one to twelve units in 15 other counties. Their 1,509 dry units equal 52 per cent of the state's territory and 29 per cent of the state's population.

Liquor propaganda fooled the people into bringing back the legal sale, but the destruction their unbridled greed is working is arousing the public, and the day of reckoning is on. So great has been the abuse in South Carolina that the lower house of the legislature has voted for the return to statewide prohibition.—Western Recorder.

### "BLUE LAWS"

We put the above words in quotation marks because there "ain't no such animal." There are people who use the words because they actually believe that there were laws in some of the New England Colonies which prescribed rules for regulating details of conduct especially on Sunday. The amount of ignorance on this subject in the heads of people who sneer at what they call "blue laws" would fill volumes.

The term seems to have come into use because the local colony of New Haven did adopt the Bible as their rule of conduct, and made the Mosaic Commandments the standard of behavior. Isn't it a fearful indictment of any people to charge that they accept the teachings of the Bible as the "rule of faith and conduct?" Is it not a strange commentary on our civilization that it should become common to sneer at people who accept the Bible as their guide in life?

Any law that you don't like forsooth becomes a "blue law." To label it as such simply puts it on the shelf as antiquated and unsuited to our progressive age of freedom and enlightenment! What color do you select in laws as suitable to our modern age? Maybe they should change with every season and fancy. If the people who complain of "blue laws" had the making of them we should soon have them smelling of the hog pen and the whisky still. It's time sensible people were doing some sober thinking and not taking the "jitters" every time the devil's minions "pop off."

P. I. LIPSEY.

### EDDIE CANTOR SAYS GO TO CHURCH

We have received from a friend a copy of the *Riverside Church Bulletin*, New York City, which carries on the front page the following very interesting comment by Eddie Cantor, with reference to churches:

"We've had a lot of fun here tonight, ladies and gentlemen, and now, if you'll permit me, I'd like to say something a bit more serious. Here in Los Angeles a few days ago we had a rather disturbing windstorm. I was walking along Sunset Boulevard at the time, and like the other pedestrians, I ran for cover as the gale swept down. There were a number of stores nearby, but something guided me toward a building across the street. I stood there in the archway several minutes, I guess, before I realized where I was. I had taken refuge in the doorway of a church—and it set me to thinking. The world today is going through something far more threatening than a windstorm. Every single one of us needs refuge of one kind or another. And I know of no better place to go for it than a church. You know, the church must be a very strong and righteous thing—for it has survived every enemy it ever had! And the book which embodies the principles of the church—the Bible—is still at the top of the best seller list. We are extremely fortunate to live in a country where we can worship as we please, when we please. Let's make the most of that blessing. Go to church, whatever your race or creed. You'll meet old friends and make new ones. The greatest calamity that can befall a people is the loss of religion. Don't let it happen here. Go to church."—Baptist Messenger.

### A GOOD PRAYER MEETING IDEA

Pastor Brantley at Lumberton recently held a "Baptist Record a Prayer Meeting Night." Those present were asked to give their own idea of the most outstanding article in *The Record* of the week before.

Try it and let us know how it works in your church.

Midway, Salem, and Sunrise Baptist Churches in Leake County held a group Sunday school study course during the week of March 15-20. The Midway church was the central meeting place. There were about 60 people enrolled and 33 took the examination. The course in "Outlines of Bible History" was taught by Rev. A. A. Ward, associational superintendent. Leake County has only one church without a Sunday School. The goal for 1942 is 100%.—Reporter.



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### EVANGELISTIC CONFERENCE

They came from Ashland to Adams, from Bacon to Baldwin, from Faulkner to Fayette, from Pace to Parker, from Saltillo to Summit, from Wheeler to Whitaker. From all over Mississippi a multitude of Baptist pastors gathered in Clinton, March 23-26 for the annual State Evangelistic Conference. Old pastors were there, young pastors were there, retired pastors were there, prospective pastors were there.

We have attended every one of the previous Evangelistic Conferences and we believe that the different sessions were more largely attended and that the people stayed through the sessions better than at any previous conference.

And lest we forget, we wish to make the following statement: Anybody attending that convention is either a better person now or else there is something wrong with them. There were no low spots throughout the meeting. It was a continuous spiritual feast and so far as we can remember it was the only meeting where there were as many present at the last as in the middle.

The out of state speakers and the in state speakers both showed thorough preparation and complete consecration. We were not only informed but inspired. To those who were present we join in thanks for the blessing we received, and to those who were absent, we simply say, "You are the loser."

To the Clinton people, to Secretary McCall, to the committees, all of us owe a debt of gratitude that we will probably never completely pay.

—BR—

### DOUBLE TIME FOR SUNDAY WORK

We see so much in the current news about double pay for Sunday work. It is not the business of The Baptist Record to try to regulate the pay that workmen receive for their labor. But we do feel that it is needful to say a word about the Lord's day.

We do read much about a forty hour week. If the work week is to be forty hours, why work on Sunday? In fact, we have faith enough in God to believe that if we would work six (real) days per week we will produce as much as we do in seven. Just because we are in a war is no reason to shut God and God's laws out of our life. How can we have our days of prayer (concerning the war) and expect God to hear us when we ignore His laws by Sabbath labor? In I John 3:2 we read, "And whatsoever we ask, we receive of Him BECAUSE we keep His commandments and DO those things that are PLEASING in His sight." All Christians readily quote the first part of the above verse, but many fail to notice that it is a conditional promise. How can we expect Him to bless us and to hear our prayers when we flagrantly disobey His commandment about the Sabbath?

We can produce more goods with six days of hard work and God's smile, than we can in seven days and God's frown. England tried seven day work but has abandoned it. They found that a day of rest was a necessity. Russia, about whom no claims of Christianity are made, has done the same thing.

We claim to be a Christian land. We know that the nations that forget God have gone down. Let us remember that we need the help of God in this war. We cannot win without Him. So let us not lose sight of His law about the Sabbath. It will prove a blessing to us and a testimony to our enemies.

—BR—

Dr. J. D. Grey, pastor of the First Baptist Church of New Orleans, has just returned from a twelve day meeting with the First Baptist Church of Laurens, South Carolina. Rev. Jewel H. Kyzar, a native of Mississippi, and former pastor at Drew, Mississippi, is the faithful and much loved pastor of the church at Laurens.

## OUR SELECTED EDITORIAL

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—Editor.

### MUSINGS OF THE MINISTER

Dr. S. H. Jones, in The Weekly Bulletin

This business of trying to lead people in their religious life is a very serious and difficult matter; therefore it presents many problems that are hard to solve. This is naturally true since people are subjected to so many cross currents of thought and teaching; moreover, people never seem quite ready to accept one's teaching as being any more than a mere opinion. People who take a doctor's advice with practically no question and who respect the voice of "authority" in other fields insist on relying upon their own opinions or the opinions of others less competent in religious matters. Such people will not accept the plain teachings of the Bible, much less the counsel of the minister.

A minister can spend the best years of his life studying in the best schools of the land and spend other years in life's experience until he is undoubtedly competent to advise young people on their moral and social problems, to advise married people and those contemplating marriage on home problems and to counsel people generally on religious questions and still people do not often seek his advice. Or worse still, they ignore what he has to tell them and go for advice to some "quack" or crook who knows nothing and who is not even honest and respectable. No minister wants to pose as a "know-it-all," nor does he need to claim to be the final authority. No man can claim that in any field of knowledge. It would seem, however, that one who spends his life at it should be better able to advise in this field than an untrained and inexperienced person. Yet many church people will leave their churches and repudiate all teachings of parents, pastors and friends while they reject Christianity altogether or take up some crazy off-brand of doctrine that is perpetrated as a racket by somebody about whom they know nothing at all.

This is not a complaint, because my people are as loyal a group as any to be found, and I have learned how to hold up my end of the load, by God's help, pretty well.

I do wish that some people would listen to the tested teaching of their churches and stop being such shallow-minded souls as those who have nothing but half-baked opinions to guide them.

I note also that those who have a low opinion of the authority of the church and established ministry are easy prey for every so-called "new religion" that comes along. We ministers are not infallible, but we could save a lot of simple people (and smart ones, too) a lot of misery, anxiety and heartaches if they would listen to us.

—BR—

## Our Contributed Editorial

BY INVITATION OF THE EDITOR

By this means we hope to give our readers a cross section of Mississippi Baptist thought.

### FEEDING THE FLOCK

All true pastors feed the flocks over which the Lord has made them shepherds. Jesus, the great Shepherd in His earthly ministry, set the example when He taught His disciples. He gave them the proper instruction for living and serving, both in His teaching and by His example.

Peter was, and is, a proof of the efficiency of Jesus' ministry. The original Peter was called Simon; he was that impulsive Peter full of weakness and self-confidence. He did not believe Jesus when He said this night thou shalt deny me. But after Jesus' resurrection Peter had gone through a period of repentance with tears of sorrow and weeping. It was this experience with the other happenings in those days, and the calling to remembrance the former sayings of Jesus that fitted Peter for the task of feeding Christ's lambs and sheep. We notice that the last test through which

he was put, was the love test. "Lovest thou Me?" He had grown enough for Jesus to depend on him to care for the flock. He did really love Jesus then; enough to hazard his own life for him in ministering the flock.

On the day of Pentecost we find him much improved, and intrusted with the message that found and brought into the fold a great multitude of sheep who had been lost. When Peter wrote his two general Epistles, it was no longer the impulsive one, full of weakness, whom Jesus called Simon, but it was the Peter whom Jesus prophesied should become a rock. The same man chastened by years of suffering and trial, and strengthened by the baptism of the Holy Spirit had become enough like his master in his faithfulness in obedience to pass the command on to his fellow laborers, "Feed the flock of God." 1 Peter 5:2. This Epistle was in obedience to two specific commands (1) To encourage and strengthen the brethren. (2) To feed the flock of God.

I am wondering how we pastors measure up to this requirement. Do we feed the lambs milk, and let them grow? Or do we neglect them and afterward come to find that when they ought to be able to take meat they are not able, and we have to resort to the nursery for food for them? We should give them a variety of food. There is a grave danger of many of the present day pastors limiting themselves to one line of thought, and the people are weak in many essential doctrines. Let us declare the whole council of God.

Another error, I fear, many make is the failure to simplify the message so all can understand it. We ought to husk the corn, and shell it off the cob, break it down so that even the little lambs and undeveloped sheep can partake of the feast. Too many uncommon words are used for the children and many adults in the average congregation.

We hear so many, these days, saying, "I just can not understand the Bible." Then we say what is it that you are puzzled over? And most of the time the teachings are so plain that we have but little difficulty in helping them to understand; thus feeding the flock, in order that the great task which Jesus began in the long ago, and gave to His followers to carry on, might be perpetuated until He comes and gathers all His flock into the fold of the great Shepherd for the continual perfect feast.

JESSE S. DORROH,

Eupora, Miss.

—BR—

### AN IMPORTANT QUESTION

Is God on our side? That is a most important question but a better way of putting it would be: Are we on God's side? God's mercy is right, just, loving and merciful. There is no use in our praying for God to come over to our side. He will not do it. He is either on our side or He is not. That depends upon the justness and kindness of our position. If our side is right and just and good, God is already on it. God is not going to do any dirty work for us. Cannot God be moved by prayer? He cannot be moved to do wrong by any sort of pleading. The important thing is to be right with God. His way can be known. He has revealed His way to us. "Study to show thyself approved."—Charity and Children.

—BR—

Pastor A. A. Ward of Lena and Tuscola had Missionary C. J. Lowe with him in a week of missions March 8-13. Brother Lowe spoke three times at Lena, three at Tuscola, two at Cedar Grove, three at Good Hope and three at Midway. He also spoke at two high schools. In all he spoke 16 times to approximately 2500 people beside about 500 students. Thirty-three subscriptions to The Commission were received. This was one of the greatest weeks of work on this field. We believe we are more missionary-minded after having heard this man who has spent 33 years of his life in China.—Reporter.

—BR—

UNION: — The fellowship offering for Aged Ministers' Relief on yesterday, April 5th, reached \$10.15. This is the largest of the last three years, and though it is small, with it goes our prayers for the faithful Soldiers of the Cross of yesteryear, who laid well the foundation upon which we build.



# MISSIONARIES' CONDITIONS REPORTED IMPROVING

(Continued from Page One)

"PLANNING GREAT EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN AND FORWARD MOVE FREE CHINA. PROMISE SUPPORT POOL IN SCHOOL MOVE KWELLIN." The Pool In Bible Training School has been located in Hong Kong.

An interesting letter dated January 21, was received from R. L. Bausum of Kwellin, Free China. We quote a portion: "We are deeply grateful to the Board for the prompt and careful way they have taken care of us financially through Dr. Beddoe who is functioning as temporary treasurer. He is doing a good job of it and we feel most fortunate in the midst of a world which is tottering to find our feet on so firm a foundation. Needless to say, the Chinese are very good to us. Our opportunities for work are marvelous."

Message from Chinkiang: The mother of Miss Charlotte Dunlap, nurse in the Presbyterian hospital at Chinkiang, Kiangsu, received the following message from the International Red Cross on February 28: "Dunlap states myself hospital fine well treated."

## EXCERPTS FROM COMMITTEE ON EAST ASIA BULLETINS

"Parcel Post Service to China: The 'New York Times' of Thursday, March 5th, stated that Parcel Post service from the United States to Unoccupied China has been suspended."

"Telegram from Dr. Earl H. Cressy: Mr. Evans also reports the following message from Dr. Cressy received through the Ventura Listening Post on March 2nd: 'Five of our universities are closed. We are working to transfer students and faculty to new center. Most have lost everything. This will require \$200,000 the first year. These universities must not remain closed and their faculties scattered.' (Note: It is supposed that the five institutions referred to are: Yenching University, University of Shanghai, Soochow University, Hangchow Christian College, and Lingnan University. Lingnan University, however, has been doing some work in free territory; and it is therefore barely possible that the message refers rather to St. John's University, which was reported on February 28th (from Chungking) to have reopened on February 2nd despite financial difficulties.)"

## GOING PLACES

(Continued from Page Four)

now have an excellent brick building, well furnished and excellently located.

Pontotoc County now has subscribers listed as follows: CHERRY CREEK 42, Ecu 4, Furrs 1, Hurricane 4, LONGVIEW 30, PONTOTOC 142, Randolph 2, TOCCOPOLA 30, Turnpike 1, Zion 14.

## Philadelphia

We were happy to have a part in the School of Missions at Philadelphia. Dr. Corder had asked us to deliver the Inspirational Address on Monday night, and as usual, we found the house full. We heard many expressions of appreciation of the work of others who were taking part on the program. Of course, we regret very much to be forced to mention it, but we did notice that when the count was taken of the people present from the various churches in the county, that every one present was from an EVERY FAMILY church.

## Watching the EVERY FAMILY Churches Go By

Toomsba Church, Lauderdale County, has gone from one-fourth to one-half time preaching service. They have recently organized a Men's Brotherhood. Every Family churches make progress.

Lena Baptist Church is really going places under the guidance and leadership of their wonderful pastor, Rev. A. A. Ward, and his fine wife. He has been pastor here two years and the church has moved forward in a fine way, much improvement has been done to the church building and grounds. Electric fans have been installed, and also a wonderful library. The pastor's home has been covered, and money recently raised to clear the pastor's home of debt. Why not? Lena is an EF church.

Dr. L. E. Green is leading First Church, Pascagoula, in a comprehensive program. They are well on the way toward completing the great building program, and have on hand over \$6,000 cash. "God's plan of finance has done it," they say. This is one of the largest EF churches in the state.

Morgan City: The first week in February, Miss Carolyn Madison of our Sunday School department,

## 25 YEARS AGO

Pastor Cranford writes that the church house at New Hebron was on Saturday night struck by lightning and burned, having no insurance.

Mr. W. M. Kethley has been elected as B. Y. P. U. field man of the Convention Board in Louisiana, and has expressed his purpose to accept and begin work the first of June.

Bro. J. A. Ousley writes an interesting article concerning the on-going of Rev. H. A. Ferguson, preacher, planter, philanthropist, who was a great power for good in and around the Sunflower Association.

Bro. A. E. Barnett, church clerk, announces dedication of the Booneville Church the third Sunday in April.

Rev. R. L. Bunyard tells of the fine reception he received upon going to Hollandale, where he recently became pastor.

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Evangelism.  
Cooperative Program.  
Now Club Roundup.  
B. T. U. Secretary Visits Association.  
Y. W. A. Focus Week, 10-17.  
Hospital Day, May 10.  
Southern Baptist Convention, San Antonio, 16f.  
W. M. U. Annual Meeting, San Antonio, May 14f.  
Tithes and Offerings According to the Scriptures.  
Emphasis on R. A. Camp.  
Y. W. A. Focus Week, May 10-17.  
Study, "The Way of Missionary Education," by Miss Mather.  
Mother's Day Cash Offering for Orphanage, Second Sunday.  
State B. S. U. Spring Retreat, May 1, 2, Legion Park, Louisville, Miss.  
Ridgecrest Reservations for B. S. U. Week.

## DENOMINATIONAL CALENDAR FOR APRIL

By D. A. McCall  
Executive Secretary-Treasurer  
Evangelism.  
Cooperative Program Causes.  
B. T. U. Secretary Visits Associations.  
S. S. Training Course.  
S. S. Convention, Brookhaven, 28, 29.  
W. M. U. Convention, Meridian, 7-9.  
Now Club Emphasis.  
Associational Evangelism.  
Vacation Bible Schools.  
Christian Literature and Church Libraries.  
Fellowship Offering.  
Tithes and Offerings According to the Scriptures.

taught "How to Win to Christ" by Dr. P. E. Burroughs. Three of the general officers and all but one of the teachers were enrolled in the class and received their awards. Since then the teacher who was hindered from coming to the class has read the book and has passed the required examination. The EF Plan helps promote any program.

Chalybeate—We have put a new roof on the church, closed off four Sunday school rooms with folding doors, redecorated the interior of the church and installed a new furnace. Progress and the EF churches go hand in hand.

## CHANGES AMONG CHURCHES

### Called And Accepted

Prentice Padgett, Dover Church, Dover, Fla.  
B. W. Pierce, Bookerton, Mo.  
R. L. Ray, Jr., Adaton, Miss.  
B. F. Rooks, Harville Church, Opechee River Association, Ga.  
L. C. Ross, Olivet Field, King and Queen County, Va.  
E. C. Sisk, Field Worker, Tennessee.  
T. G. Shelton, Sinking Springs, Ky.  
M. D. Smith, Haw River, Burlington, N. C.  
E. D. Smith, Bethel Church, Goldonna, La.  
A. A. Stulich, Winter Garden, Fla.  
John N. Stanford, Antioch Church, Adel, Ga.  
James Swinson, Hanes Church, Pilot Association, N. C.  
Fred Stumpp, First Church, Mountaineer, New Mexico.  
Boyd Turner, First Church, Henderson, Tenn.  
Cecil Underwood, Screven Church, Screven, Ga.  
Rolla Nixon, Associational Missionary, Arkansas Valley Association.  
Ira Patishall, San Antonio, Texas.  
John S. Rasco, Jacksonville, Fla.  
J. M. Reynolds, Bartlett, Texas.  
R. W. Selman, Etowah, Tenn.  
Albert W. Scheckells, State Sabbath School Association, Philadelphia, Pa.  
ES. L. Speer, Ellington, Mo.  
L. C. Tedford, Marion, Ark.  
B. W. Walker, Forest, Miss.  
Melvin T. Wilson, Kilbourne, La.  
O. A. Winscott, Marshall Heights Church, St. Louis, Mo.

### RESIGNED

C. A. Alexander, Okolona, Miss.  
O. C. Anderson, Stone, Ky.  
E. B. Abington, Mission Board, Arkansas.  
Herbert Barnett, Shongoaloo, La.  
A. S. Bentley, Notasulga Baptist Church.  
Floyd M. Craig, Cedarville, Kas.  
Carl DeVine, Highland Park Church, Chattanooga, Tenn.  
Warren E. Ferguson, Harrisburg and Tupelo, Miss.  
Warren Filkin, Brodhead Baptist Church, Kentucky.  
W. W. Finlator, Pittsboro, N. C.  
L. G. Frey, Humboldt, Tenn.  
T. J. Holmes, Gay and Senoa Churches, Georgia.  
Lynn Hopkins, Victory Church, Shawnee, Okla.  
F. W. Johnson, Grace, Washington, D. C.  
W. H. Lansford, West Memphis, Ark.  
Rolla Nixon, Warren, Ark.  
Ira Patishall, Fordyce, Ark.  
John S. Rasco, Hodgenville, Ky.  
R. W. Selman, Chattanooga, Tenn.  
Albert Scheckells, Middletown, N. Y.  
M. Glenn Smith, Mashulaville and Concord, Miss.  
S. L. Speer, Elmo, Miss.  
J. H. Sutley, Punto Gorda, Fla.  
L. C. Tedford, Bentonville, Ark.  
O. A. Winscott, Bismark, Mo.

### BR

Brookhaven: Our revival begins April 12 and runs two weeks. Dr. R. L. Holmes of Dallas, Texas, will be the preacher and Mr. A. E. Harvey, pastor's assistant at Brookhaven, will direct the music. S. H. Jones, pastor.

### BR

Kosciusko — Our Revival started here yesterday, Dr. J. S. Riser doing the preaching; Bill Nason leading the singing. Had good day's opening service. Sunday School attendance 409, B. T. U. attendance 160. Received seven additions, one of these by baptism. — Rowe C. Holcomb.

## DO YOU PLAN TO ATTEND THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION?

Secretary McCall reminds us that enrollment cards for the use of messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention, meeting in San Antonio, Texas, May 16-20, 1942, may be obtained from his office. Just a postal card from each person desiring an enrollment card, or cards, will do the work. The address is, — D. A. McCall, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Miss.



## Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary  
MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary

JOHN A. FARMER, Associate Secretary

### CONFERENCE LEADER



Mrs. Lee MacDonnel, Southwide approved Intermediate worker, Jackson, Florida, will direct the Intermediate Conferences at the Sunday School Convention at Brookhaven, April 28-29.

### Free Entertainment

Bed and breakfast will be furnished free to all who wish overnight entertainment at the Sunday School Convention at Brookhaven, April 28, 29. Write at once to Mr. A. E. Harvey, First Baptist Church, Brookhaven, Miss., if you want this favor.

### The Convention

We have tried hard to give our people the very best in the way of talent for our Sunday School Convention. Those who are to speak and those who are to direct conferences are most thoroughly prepared for their parts on the program.

The Convention is not long, only twenty-six hours from the time it begins until it ends, but we have crowded into that short time many periods that will be unusually informing and inspiring to our people. We are so very eager for it to be helpful to the largest number of people. Therefore, we urge the pastors and superintendents to make very definite plans to get their officers and teachers to attend. This is the first time we have had a Sunday School Convention in southwest Mississippi in several years, so we want it to help large numbers from that section especially, as well as many from all parts of the state.

Join with us in prayer that it may be all that it should be for the glory of Christ and for the advancement of His work among us this year.

### APPROVED WORKERS

All Christians who are really trying to do their best work, in whatever place they may have been chosen to serve, are very eager to GROW in the doing of these acts of service for their Lord. Growth is the natural thing for Christians to desire, in order that we may be approved of Him whose we are and whom we serve. We want to be better Christians and more capable in the work.

And yet, there is no way to be ap-

proved unless we are improving. And, improving does not come to us simply because we desire to be better. It calls for all things that are required to help us do better work. A part of this is certainly study.

A noted university president, in speaking of education, said, "Education is a lifetime process." How true that is! If we advance in practice, there must first be an advance in knowledge. If there is advance in knowledge, there must be study. Jesus emphasized the importance of study.

As Sunday School workers we are in great need of continued study. Every year, and all through the months and weeks of every year, we need to study. Sometimes we long to see better work, but maybe we are not willing to pay the price of it in toil, study, prayer.

April is the great spring month for Sunday School training courses. The stress this year for April is on the books of Doctrines and Evangelism. Our people need to know these great subjects along with all the other very important things we are teaching.

Set the date for the week of training, enlist the teacher, decide on the book, or books to be taught, and then advertise thoroughly. Tell all the people about it; get them definitely committed to attend; pray for a great week of training in order that the workers may be better fitted for their vital parts in a great church program.

All books may be ordered from the Baptist Book Store, Jackson, Miss. The teacher gets a free copy, and also the teacher of any book gets credit on that book without taking the test. Blanks for reporting training classes may be secured by writing the Sunday School Department, Box 530, Jackson, Miss.

Brother superintendent, Brother pastor, have your training class in April if you can; if that does not seem best for your school, have it just as early as possible thereafter. But, have it some time. Give your people the opportunity to be well trained.

### NOW READY!

The 1942 VB3 free literature is now ready for distribution and may be secured on request. Plan early for that Vacation Bible School.

### Standards

Ruleville school, Dr. Nat Tracy, pastor, H. Lee Herring, superintendent, has come back this year to the standard rating just as it did last year.

Also, the Upstreamers Junior class, Griffith Memorial Church, Jackson, W. L. Watts, teacher, is standard.

We congratulate both these in reaching again this fine program.

### —BR—

Recent visitors to the Baptist Record office included the following: Rev. J. F. Brantley, Lumberton; Rev. J. R. Reedy, Eupora; Rev. B. E. Phillips, New Hebron; Rev. Sidney Johnson, Jackson; Rev. J. B. Parker, Ripley; Miss Elizabeth Pickering, Biloxi; Rev. G. C. Hodges, Biloxi; Rev. M. J. Gilbert, Tylertown; Rev. Norman W. Cox, Meridian; Rev. E. D. Estes, Clinton; Miss Emma Smith, Jackson; Rev. David Cranford, Charleston; Rev. J. A. Partridge, Belzoni; C. H. Cooper, Jackson; Mrs. J. L. Johnson, Jackson.

## MINISTER'S RETIREMENT PLAN

1. Q. How much does it cost the pastor to be a member of the Ministers Retirement Plan and how are his dues calculated?

A. It is 3% of his salary, payable monthly (it being understood that no portion of salary above \$4,000 is included). Wherever the parsonage is included, it is always a 15% addition to the cash salary. For instance, if the cash salary is \$100 per month, and a parsonage is included, the monthly salary basis is \$115, the amount of dues payable is 3% of the \$115, or \$3.45.

2. Q. How does the church calculate the amount of dues it is to pay?

A. In the case of full-time churches, it is the same amount that the pastor pays. In the case of quarter-time or half-time churches, each church pays 3% dues on that portion of the entire salary that it actually supplies.

3. Q. What contribution does the convention make supplemental to those of the members and churches?

A. It is 2% of the amount of salary involved.

4. Q. Would it be permissible for smaller churches to pay dues a year in advance?

A. Yes. Some churches may wish to pay quarterly, while some others pay semi-annually.

5. Q. If a pastor's church or churches have not been persuaded to pay the 3% dues, can the pastor participate by paying his own 3% dues, and also an additional 3% for his church or churches?

A. As a temporary matter only, the pastor may pay his own 3% dues, and arrange to have another 3% designated through the church treasury. It is felt that no church will default in this matter when the moral obligation is clearly understood. The success of the plan depends upon the cooperation of the churches.

6. Q. If a minister and his church enter the plan and later the church fails to make its contribution, for a time, can the minister continue the payment of his 3% dues?

A. Yes, in such a case the minister may continue the payment of his 3% dues, and build up credits accordingly.

7. Q. What is the time limit allowed an unemployed member to pay his own dues and the church dues for what might be called a hypothetical church?

A. Six months. This period might be extended in exceptional cases upon recommendation of the state secretary.

8. Q. If a member fails to make his contributions in full for a given year, what will be the effect on the amount of his future pension?

A. The failure to make member contributions in a given year reduces the amount of the member's accumulations, including the interest additions, and the member's annuity will be correspondingly reduced. In no case will the reduction in the retirement annuity granted out of the balance of the churches' and conventions' contributions be reduced because of the continuance in service of a member beyond the date of eligibility for retirement annuity where default of the members' contributions occurred prior to such dates.

9. Q. If a church fails to make its contributions in full for a given year, what is the effect on the members' retirement annuity?

A. Such annuity shall be reduced by an amount of retirement annuity equivalent to such unpaid contributions with interest accumulations thereon to the date of eligibility for retirement.

10. Q. If a minister makes the 3% contribution that his church ought to make, are such contributions placed to his personal credit?

A. No. Such contributions do not constitute any part of the member's accumulated credits, but they go into the state group fund from which all the supplemental benefits going to the members of the group are derived.

11. Q. If a minister has a field of churches, some of which agree to participate while one or more have not so

agreed, can the minister join the plan?

A. Yes, he can participate on a partial basis with one or more churches that have joined and receive pension credits proportionate to the amount of dues paid. And in cases where prior service credits are involved, credits based on the portion of the salary included in the plan will be allowed.

12. Q. What is meant by the expression "prior service credits"?

A. By prior service credits is meant pension credits which a participating member is allowed on account of service rendered prior to the date when the plan was started.

13. Q. What are the pension rights of a man in active service in a state who with his church enters the plan on the date of the inauguration of the plan?

A. He is entitled to pension credits related to service rendered after the date of the plan, together with credit for services rendered in the state prior to the date of the plan, and if necessary in order to give him a full pension he shall be allowed further credit on account of prior service rendered in another state but within the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention in order to complete the twenty-five year period.

14. Q. What are the pension rights of a man in active service in a state on the date of the inauguration of the plan who with his church delays entry until a date subsequent to the date of the inauguration of the plan?

A. (a) If delayed membership is entered upon on or before June 30, 1942, and the contributions of the member, the church, and the convention or general association are paid back to the date of the inauguration of the plan, then the member becomes entitled to pension rights as outlined in Number 13.

(b) If the delayed membership is entered upon on or before June 30, 1942, but the contributions of the member, the church, and the convention or general association are not paid back to the date of the inauguration of the plan, the member will be entitled to pension credits as outlined in Number 13, reduced by amounts of annuities calculated in accordance with rules relating to omitted contributions.

15. Q. Will credits for prior service be granted where membership is delayed beyond June 30, 1942 in the case of persons in eligible service on the date of the inauguration of the plan?

A. No. Where such membership is entered upon after June 30, 1942, credits for service will relate only to service rendered after the date of the inauguration of the plan.

16. Q. Is it permissible for a minister eligible for participation in a state retirement plan to delay membership for the period of one year and then pay his member's dues for the back year, and have his churches' dues and convention's dues paid, and qualify immediately for a retirement annuity?

A. No. The plan definitely calls for full participation for the period of one year, which is a broader requirement than merely the payment of one year's contributions. In any case the member is not eligible for a retirement annuity until the expiration of one year from the date of his active participation.

17. Q. What is the claim of a man for credit for his prior service if he was eligible to have participated in the retirement system of a given state at the date of its inauguration or thereafter but did not participate before he had transferred to another state?

A. If he has taken membership in the ministers retirement plan of the state to which he transferred and has paid all the back dues in the prior state, he has then a claim for such prior service with the approval of the state from which he transferred. Otherwise he has no claim for prior service.

18. Q. Does a minister receive personal credit for his own 3% payments?

A. Yes.



## Sunday School Lesson

Prepared By  
BRACEY CAMPBELL

Lesson For April 12.  
THE MISSION OF THE SEVENTY  
Bible Text: Luke 10:1-24.

introduction. Read this passage once and again, thoughtfully. See if you can make a list of the characteristics of the Lord Jesus revealed in this passage. Our Lord was unique in how many ways, as He is seen in this lesson? He had such understanding of the human heart and such wisdom in planning to reach the multitudes of His native land, as to stamp Him at once as the pre-eminent man. Here He is seen sending forth 35 groups of missionaries, but why did He wait till comparatively late in His ministry to do this? Why should He not have sent them earlier in the period of His work? Do you find in this passage anything like a definite manifestation of His consciousness of His power and pre-eminence and significance? What importance attaches to what men do with the message concerning Him and proceeding from Him? Why is a city or a person rejecting the Lord or slighting Him off today guilty of greater sin than the cities and persons who did the same thing in His day? He not only had authority to heal the sick, to cast out demons, and to subdue every form of antagonism, but he had authority to bestow the same authority upon these men. Do you think He could bestow that authority upon men now?

### I. Appointment, Instruction, Dismissal. Luke 10:1-16.

Seventy personal workers, missionaries, sent forth in pairs. The unit was the pair. Each member of the pair was needed by the other member, each to encourage the other, to pray with the other, to plan with the other, to comfort and console the other. It was thus that Barnabas and Saul (Acts 13:2) went forth, as well as Barnabas and Mark (15:30) Paul and Silas (15:40), Timothy and Silas (17:14). There is a deal of use made of the number seventy in the Bible: To the Jew, the human race was made up of seventy tribes of people of the three races which sprang from the three sons of Noah; there are said to have been seventy scholars who wrought at the translation of the Hebrew Bible into Greek, a translation which bears the name of the "Septuagint," from the accepted belief that there were seventy of these scholars; Moses appointed seventy elders to help him in the work of administration of the internal affairs of the nation; and there were seventy members of the Sanhedrin.

The work these men were to do is the biggest that men ever do in this world. They were to prepare the way for the coming of the Lord; they were to bring the kingdom of God nigh unto men; they were to set before men the way of life and bid them to walk in it. I tell you again that the teacher of men is the greatest of all men. The man who teaches another to make His peace with God and to walk in the way of God with Him, does the

greatest work anybody can do. It was to this work that the seventy were sent.

Let us notice that there never has been enough men to do all of this sort of work that the Lord needs to have done. "The harvest indeed is plentiful, but the laborers are few." A number of times He used this figure in different places and under different circumstances. Always He meant the same thing, and everywhere He saw the need for harvesters. He saw the multitudes of people like sheep distressed, scattered, victimized, weeping, fainting, and dying, and He said, "Behold! Ripe Harvest! White-ripe fields! Go, ye reapers, and gather the ripened grain." "But, Lord, that grain is ruined. You can't do it any good. It is all spoiled and rotting." "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest, that He send forth laborers into His harvest." "But this field does not care to be harvested." "The countless stalks of grain in that field does not know what they need. Anyhow, your business is to go into the field and reap wherever opportunity permits." Let me ask you, my dear Sunday School teacher friend, is there not someone within a very few paces of your home, or a very few hundred steps of your home, someone who needs the Gospel, but to whom you have never tried to give the Gospel? Ahe not the opportunities without number? Have you even prayed for someone to go to the lost soul with the message of salvation?

Read the verses 3-11 that you may see exactly what instructions He gave the members of this fine group of seventy. "I send you forth as lambs in the midst of wolves." You are to go guilelessly and harmlessly as a lamb, realizing as you do that you are fated to meet with opposition as crafty and cruel as a wolf. There is but one way in which you can meet this craft and cunning; in a lamb-like dependence upon God. You will never match the world which opposes you if you oppose to it the spirit and methods of the world. You cannot hope successfully to fight the devil with fire. **He knows more about fire in a minute than you ever will know in all your life.**

But I would have you consider the privilege of the obedient servant of the Lord. "He that heareth you heareth me; and he that rejecteth you rejecteth me." "You" and "Me". It is the privilege of the faithful servant of Christ to couple these words together, "You" and "Me". The Lord Himself so united them, thus taking into fellowship with Himself the servant who faithfully works with Him. The servant is linked with His Lord, and the link is by divine appointment. The Lord permits us, nay, He intends for us to take to ourselves the full gracious force and encouragement which the words convey. All who work humbly and faithfully for our Lord work also with our Lord, in a glorious partnership formed and blessed by the Lord. This is a partnership which will not fail of accomplishing the will of the Lord. He who would succeed in life will find this one sure pathway of success open to Him; the pathway of service with the Lord.

### II. Return and Report of the Seventy. Verses 17-20.

It is not likely that they returned in a body. They had gone their several ways, and now they return by twos, meeting the Lord at different points,

### SOLDIER SENDS ENCOURAGING LETTER

A letter like the following, received by Pastor C. Z. Holland of Canton, from James Branigin of Camp Croft, South Carolina, should encourage every church and home builder. This shows what these institutions can do. Some of our very best are now in the service:

"Dear Bro. Holland:  
"I must say that I was very glad to hear from you. I often think of you and our church back there in Canton. I certainly miss it and all my friends.

"The churches here are very good. The pastors are some of the best I have ever heard. I go every Sunday that I am not on duty.

"I don't think the army has changed my character any whatsoever. I still have my first drink to take and my first smoke to take. I don't think the army can change that."

but all of them with the same story and report of marked success. Had he not promised them power over the demons, had he not commissioned them to cast demons out, but away from the Lord, they had found that their endowment of power was greater than they had expected, and they were overjoyed at this. I do not think that the words of their report indicate that they were careless of the things He had commissioned them to do, but they were delighted that He had given them the added power which they had exercised. They had tried what power He had given them, and they had found His bestowment greater than they had thought. They had been faithful in doing what He had commanded them, and their reward was a plentitude of power which they had not expected. I am wondering now, right now, if the reason we have so little power is that we do not exercise more diligence in the employment for Him of that power we know we do have from Him. If we have a little faith, can we not employ that faith for Him? If we do that, will not our little faith grow into more and thence into very much? If we have the ability to speak words of grateful witness for Him to our friends, will He not cause that our ability to witness for Him shall grow from little to much.

Yet He would not have His own rejoice primarily because they have power but He would have them rejoice because of who they are. "Rejoice that your names are written in heaven." You are children of God, therefore rejoice. If ye be children of the king, ye can do the deeds of the king.

### III. The Joy of the Lord. Verses 21-24.

These verses record a prayer of thanksgiving in which our Lord in joy and gladness because of what His servants had wrought returns His thanks to the Father. In His exalted state, the source of all the joy which our Lord has on account of anything in this world, is the doings of His servants here—His servants whom He has now named friends—His servants whom He has now named children—His servants, friends, children, who He has now named His brothers and sisters—His younger brothers and sisters, all members of the family circle of God, whose work in the world enlarges the circle of the Father's family, enhances the glory of the Father's name, builds up the volume of the Father's gracious works of mercy.

### CROSS ROADS, WEBSTER CO.

Cross Roads Church, Webster County, has recently put on a Budget, in lieu of the old haphazard way of passing the hat around at the monthly services. Preparations are under way to take a census (Religious).

The present arrangement will show a marked increase to all causes including pastor's salary, Co-operative program, etc.

This change was made possible by your visit in February, 1941, introducing the EVERY FAMILY PLAN and its adoption by the church. And too, our pastor, Rev. L. W. Estes, Eupora, is a tireless worker, sympathetic and understanding and an ideal pastor.

We are planning and praying for the greatest revival in the history of our church, beginning the 4th Lord's day in July. Rev. L. B. Wages of Columbus will assist the pastor.—W. H. Womack.

### WALLERVILLE

The Baptist Training Union of the Wallerville Baptist Church, Union County, has just had a very successful study course under the direction of our pastor, Dr. W. C. Tyler, and a staff of teachers composed of Blue Mountain College girls, Miss Janie Mae White taught the Adults, Miss Sarah Wallace, Young People, Miss June Russell, Intermediates, Miss Ruby Hicks, Juniors, and Miss Annie Hendricks, Story Hour. Each group studying the Manuals. We had an inspirational message each night at the fifteen minutes intermission by the girls. Our B. T. U. and church has been greatly blessed by this study course.—Reporter.

### PRECIOUS INCENSE

I looked into an Easter lily—  
Whose cup was cleanest white.  
Its heart was gold and pure of sweetne—  
And enhanced in warm sunlight.  
The dew had drenched its whiteness,  
And its fragrance as rare as nard  
Was like a precious incense  
That reminded me of God.

—Mrs. H. B. Benson, Terry, Miss.  
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### MT. PLEASANT CHURCH (LINCOLN CO.) ORDAINS DEACONS

On March 22 the Mt. Pleasant Church, Lincoln County, ordained three of its fine men as deacons. The men are Messrs. R. H. Brown, Sample Hux and Clarence Lenard. Serving on the council were Dr. S. H. Jones, Rev. L. E. Smith, Rev. A. E. Blankenship, and the pastor. Visiting deacons were Bro. J. W. Brown of Montgomery, Bro. B. Z. Reeves of Topisaw and Bro. Sam Moak of Norfield. Local deacons serving were Bro. L. R. Brown, Bro. R. L. Clark and Bro. J. M. S. Reeves.

Dr. Jones preached the sermon. Bro. Smith delivered the charge, and Bro. Blankenship offered the ordination prayer. The well planned program was made more effective by a solo rendered by Tom Moak. Bro. J. M. S. Reeves, senior deacon in the Mt. Pleasant Church, led in the closing prayer.—M. J. Anderson, Pastor.

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### NEW ZION CHURCH TO CELEBRATE ONE HUNDRETH ANNIVERSARY

The public is invited to attend the celebration of the 100th anniversary of New Zion (Choctaw County) Baptist Church on Sunday, April 12th at 9:30.

The following program will be rendered: Song—Brethren, We Have Met To Worship; Devotional—Rev. L. A. Roebuck. Welcome Address—Rev. J. W. Kitchens. Response—Rev. R. A. Eddleman. Song—When I Can Read My Title Clear. Church History—Mrs. S. M. King. Song—How Tedious and Tasteless The Hours. Sermon—Rev. J. S. Deal. Noon Singing. Talks by former pastors and members. Sermon—Rev. R. A. Eddleman. Song—God Be With You Till We Meet Again. Benediction.



## Baptist Training Union

AIM—Training in Church Membership

AUBER J. WILDS, State Secretary

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### Something New Under The Sun

Dr. W. L. House of the Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Ft. Worth, Texas, has just gotten out a book of 65 short programs for use as opening sessions of Sunday School or Training Union. They will be splendid for prayer meetings, or other occasions where a brief devotional service is to be conducted. The program can be lengthened as the leader desires, but they are designed to cover about fifteen or twenty minutes. We list one outline here that you may have an idea of what the book is—

#### CHRISTIAN PATRIOTISM

Quiet Music: "God of our Fathers, Known of Old," (No. 303, Songs of Faith).

Song: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," (No. 184, Songs of Faith).

Prayer: That America may be a Christian Land.

Song: "Onward Christian Soldiers," (No. 275, Songs of Faith). "Five Christian Patriots."

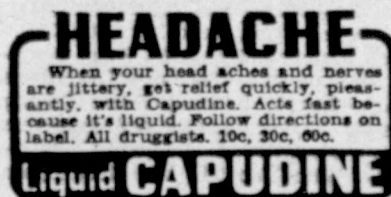
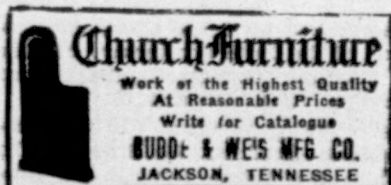
(This may be given by five individuals or may be given by only one) 10 minutes.

1. Esther—Esther 4:10, 11, 16.
2. Ruth—Ruth 1:16.
3. Jeremiah—Jeremiah 26: 12-14.
4. Paul—Romans 9:3.
5. Christ—John 3:16.

This book may be had from the Baptist Book Store, the price, 50c we think, and it is well worth that and more. This book will be to the lay worker what a book of outline sermons would be to a preacher.

#### Oxford Elects Director

Oxford has suffered the loss of their Training Union director and his family in their moving from Oxford to another town. While serving for only a short time as director, Mr. Coward set plans in motion that have already begun to bear fruit. The regular Executive Committee Meeting, and the regular Officers Council were held monthly, and the interest in all departments was growing. The church, while suffering this loss, was not embarrassed as they had another fine young man who has been a faithful leader in church life on whose shoulders this important work is placed. On April 1st Mr. Featherston will take up the duties of Training Union Director. All rejoice to know that he will direct this work. The work will suffer no slowdown, but Mr. Featherston will build on the foundation that has already been laid.



### Reports Are Coming In

This is the time for reports for last quarter, and they are coming in. We believe we will have a large number of A-1 Unions as the standards have been simplified. Use the blank in the back of the Quarterly in reporting your work of the individual union. **DIRECTORS HAVE BEEN MAILED B. T. U. BLANKS.**

#### West Point One-Night Training Camp

Feeling the need of a study of the New Standard and not planning a Methods Study Course for this Spring our Training Union held its first one-night training camp. It seemed to be quite a success. The object of the training camp was to instruct officers and committee men in their various duties and privileges and at the same time to discuss with them their problems.

The Training Camp was held Thursday night, March 26th. The following schedule was followed: All met together in the Assembly Room at 7:30 p. m. All joined in singing the hymn "Stand Up For Jesus." After Prayer the conference leaders were introduced. From 7:40 to 8:30 conferences were held. Each committee meeting in a separate room with a different leader. From 8:30 to 9:00 the group re-assembled. Mr. Woodrow Neves sang a solo, "O Jesus I Have Promised." Rev. Harold Douglass brought an inspirational message on "The Motive of Christian Service." A prayer closed the meeting.

The Conference Leaders were: Rev. Harold Douglass, B. S. U. Sec. Miss. State—Social Committee.

Mr. O. L. Palmer, Training Union Director, Starkville—Bible Readers.

Mr. Joe Abrams, Training Union Worker, Columbus—Program Committee.

Mr. Woodrow Neves, Training Union Director, Columbus — Membership Committee.

Mrs. L. O. Palmer, Training Union Leader, Starkville—Missionary Committee.

Mr. M. Langston, Gen. Sec. Starkville B. T. U.—Secretaries.

#### Union Associational B. T. U.

We all regret to lose Mr. E. V. Moseley as director of the Union Associational B. T. U. Mr. Moseley has served most efficiently both as director of the Port Gibson Union and the Associational Union. He leaves the county and hence had to resign the work. While Associational Director he promoted a continuous program of extension work, visiting churches, organizing unions and teaching or arranging study courses. Before leaving the association he has already perfected plans for summer workers to serve four churches in July, led the associational officers in the study of the Associational Manual, started a fund for sending his successor to Ridgecrest in July, led in having his successor elected before he left the association, visited ten of the thirteen churches since January 1st, selected representatives for the District Con-

#### I TITHE BECAUSE:

The Bible—both the Old and New Testaments—teaches it, and I believe those teachings and the promises accompanying them are true, and were faithfully made;

Tithing is one of the graces which a Christian not only may but should avail himself of;

All of it belongs to God; He places it in my hands requiring that I pay Him back only a tithe of that which is His, and permits me freely to use the other nine tenths of it for my own use, benefit, and enjoyment, expecting in its use only that I shall possess and exercise the principles of a devoted and acceptable steward;

I am in His debt for salvation He has given me and I can never repay that debt to Him;

By paying the tithe, I am given the desirable privilege of having a part in the bringing in of His Kingdom—in carrying out the teachings of the Great Commission;

Of all whom I want not to rob, I want most of all not to rob God; and if I don't tithe, I am a most ungrateful robber! "Will a man rob God?" I will not, intentionally.

K. R. COFER, Water Valley.  
(Bro. Cofer's pastor says he practices what he preaches.)

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#### MINISTER'S FATHER-IN-LAW PASSED AWAY

Friends sympathize with Mrs. W. M. Tabb, wife of one of our Baptist ministers, whose home is in Wesson, in the loss of her father, Mr. R. L. Castens. He passed away Monday, March 23, at the home of his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. S. Odom of Jackson. He lived to be 89 and leaves five daughters and one son to mourn his loss. He was a man of God and was loved by all who knew him. Dr. Claud Bowen had charge of the funeral which was conducted at Baldwin Funeral Home. He was buried at Concord Cemetery near Allison Wells.

vention contests, and in many other ways demonstrated his interest and loyalty. Quoting from a letter he says "I have never been connected with any phase of Christian work that I loved and wanted to do more for than I did the Associational B. T. U. work in Union Association." Brother James E. Drane was elected to succeed Mr. Moseley and Mr. Moseley in writing says, "I think Brother Drane will carry on the work that I have started. He is a fine young preacher, pastor at Bethesda church. I feel sure he will cooperate with your office in every way." We hate to lose leaders like Mr. Moseley, but God has a work for him wherever he goes, and will find him ready to do the work assigned. We welcome Brother Drane to this important office.

#### Smith County Has Big Day

It was the privilege of the State B. T. U. Secretary to spend the day March 29 in Smith County. It was an all day meeting at New Home. A big crowd attended and a fine program was rendered in which Sunday School, W. M. U. and Training Union was emphasized. The Association voted to send their B. T. U. Director to Ridgecrest this summer, and made plans for collecting the necessary funds for it. Mr. L. D. Bassett, the director, has promoted a splendid program, and their record shows about 65 per cent of the churches with unions. This is far above the average for the state or S. B. C. New Home was awarded the attendance banner. It was a good day, fine spirit, perfect weather, and God's Spirit was present.

#### DR. T. M. FLEMING

Dr. T. M. Fleming, 61, pastor of the Fifteenth Avenue Baptist Church and prominent in religious circles of Meridian, Mississippi and the South, died at the family residence, 1314 16th Ave., Tuesday at 9:25 p. m. He had suffered a number of heart attacks, which kept him from his pulpit for several months and confined him to his bed most of the time.

The death of Dr. Fleming brought sorrow to Baptists and other denominations as well as to all walks of life alike. His friendly, cheerful and kind disposition, and his visitations to the ill and bereaved, regardless of church affiliations, endeared him to all with whom he had come into contact. He was also active in Masonic circles and assisted all worthy movements and endeavors. He was past president of the Lauderdale County Ministerial Association, past moderator two terms of the Lauderdale County Baptist Association and was a former member of the Mississippi Baptist executive committee.

#### Former Masonic Grand Officer

Dr. Fleming held membership in the Shrine, Knights Templar and Order of Eastern Star. He was past grand orator of the Mississippi Masonic Grand Lodge and past grand master of the Knights of Templar of Alabama and past grand prelate of the Mississippi Knights Templar.

The deceased is survived by his widow, Mrs. Florence West Fleming; two daughters, Mesdames R. A. Strong, of Rockwood, Tenn., and Nell West Burnett, Meridian; one brother, W. Y. Fleming of Columbia, Ala.; two sisters, Mesdames John C. Merritt of Abbeville, Ala., and T. N. Moody of Shottsville, Ala.; two grandchildren, Lydia Carol Burnett, Meridian, and Bethany Sue Strong, Rockwood; several nieces and nephews.

Dr. Fleming graduated from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary of Louisville, Ky., and has been actively preaching for 40 years. He had been pastor of the Fifteenth Avenue church for ten years.

The minister had been pastor of numerous churches in Alabama and Georgia and at one time was Baptist state Sunday School secretary of Alabama.

#### Services Tuesday Night

Funeral services were held at the Webb Funeral Home Tuesday night at 8 o'clock. The Rev. Blanding S. Vaughan, pastor of the South Side Baptist church officiated, assisted by Dr. N. W. Cox, pastor of the First Baptist Church.

The body, accompanied by relatives and friends was carried by motor Wednesday morning to Fort Gains, Ga., where burial took place Wednesday at 4 p. m.

The Fifteenth Avenue deacons were active pallbearers and the Masons and Lauderdale county ministers were honorary pallbearers.

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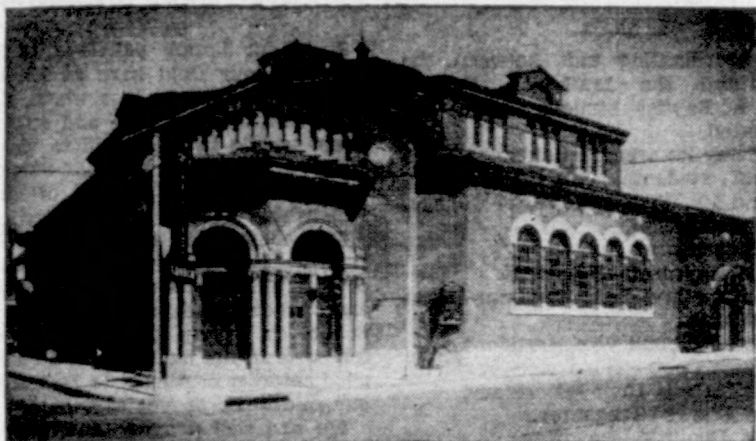
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PASTOR AND LAYMEN'S CONFERENCE HERE



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, San Antonio, Texas, where the Pastors and Laymen's Conference of the Southern Baptist Convention is to be held, is located just one block from the Municipal Auditorium.

ARE WE DOING THIS GOD'S WAY?

I have been keeping up with the launching of our defense ships. Quite a number have been launched, and a great many more will have to be.

But are they launching these Life Savers the right way? So far, I have not read of any being launched God's way. Gideon won the battle against odds of about nine to one because he went to battle in God's way. He first proved to himself that he was getting his instructions from the right one, God, then he mobilized his little army God's way, and followed God's instructions. He won the battle against great odds of man-power but he did it God's way. David won the battle with Goliath, because he went to battle God's way. Gideon did not win the battle with his might, but by God's power. David never selected more perfect stones for his sling than he did this time. David never had such strength in his arms as he had this time. Never did David throw a stone with such accuracy as did he this time. He did it God's way. Saul wanted him to put his armor on and make a great appearance, but he said, "No, I have not proven that yet." Goliath asked him, "David, in whose name have you come to fight me like a dog? He was very much offended that David, a mere boy, would come with such a small defense, only a stone. Goliath came with all his armor; even his armor-bearer carried a shield for his protection. But David came in God's way and cut Goliath's head off with his own sword.

Folks, we are going to have to do things God's way. I wonder if there is a minister or deacon or layman that has nerve enough to ask the governors of our states, or our President to have some Godly man or woman christen the

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A WAYSIDE INCIDENT

A little Indian girl stood on the station platform, and a group of restless travelers, glad of whatever broke the monotony, had gathered in a circle about her, examining her wares. On every hand the desert stretched away, meeting the bare, black mountains, their sides scarred by gorges and barren of vegetation. Against their somber background the bright clothing of the Indian maid showed to good advantage.

"You pay two prices for what you buy here," said the man with his hat on one side, who had the air of knowing it all. "But the tourist is robbed everywhere. You might as well make up your mind to be cheated in the first place."

"This is not cheat," the Indian girl protested. "I make the baskets myself and they take many days."

"Oh, of course, they all declare they are selling cheap," said the man with his hat on one side. "And why shouldn't they cheat if they can? I'd do the same in their places." He looked at the man on the other side of the crowd and winked unpleasantly.

The next remark of the Indian girl was unexpected. "For what shall it profit a man," she said in slow English, "if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? That is what they taught us at the mission school, and I will not lie that I may sell my baskets, even though I go hungry."

It was a silent company that climbed aboard the Pullman at the conductor's signal. "It was not long for a sermon," said the man with his hat on one side, "but it's the kind of one you can't forget in a hurry."—Publisher Unknown.

next life saving vessel with prayer instead of a bottle of champagne? If we do not go to doing things God's way He will smite our left arm and cause our arrows to fall from our right hand. (Read Ezekiel 39:3.)

Would to God that we should build our ships like Noah did and like Moses built the tabernacle. "And God told him to build it carefully after His plans, then did He dedicate it with His Holy presence, and the children of Israel knew that He was God." Our vessels will float like cork and our ammunition will find its mark like the stone that David threw at Goliath. We are not living God's way sufficient for Him to strengthen our left arm and direct the arrow from our right hand. What about it preachers, deacons, laymen? Let's have our ships christened with prayer and supplications unto God. Let's do things God's way.

H. R. CROPP, Escatawpa, Miss.

SINGER, PASTOR AND MINISTER



REV. EARL C. EDWARDS

Brother Earl C. Edwards, well known throughout Mississippi, for his leadership in song, was ordained to the full work of the Gospel ministry, Sunday, March 1, in his home church, the First Baptist Church, Houston, Mississippi.

The brethren will gladly welcome him into their midst as minister and pastor.

Those assisting in the ordination were: Rev. S. P. Andrews, Houlika; Rev. W. C. Stewart, Houston; Rev. J. T. Reedy, Eupora; Rev. D. A. McCall, Jackson.

—BR—

NOTES FROM CALVARY CHURCH IN WARREN COUNTY

Since the coming of Brother Glenn Miller to the pastorate of Calvary Church in Warren County it has gone on full time, two preaching services each Sunday—night and morning—Sunday School and Baptist Training Union.

On Sunday, March 22, Memorial Service was held for one of its members, Gordon Smith, who lost his life in the service of his country—the first casualty from this county. Every young man of military age that is a member of this church is now in service, either as a soldier or defense worker. For such a small group of church members the percentage serving their country is large.

May we repeat again—Calvary includes The Record for Every Family in its budget. And with the new features—the Cross-Word Puzzle and "Know Your Bible," there is something to interest even the very young readers.

MRS. EVA W. DAVIS.

NEWTON COUNTY YOUTH REVIVAL TO BE HELD AT CLARKE COLLEGE

Newton, Miss., April 4, 1942—For several years it has been the custom at Clarke Memorial College to invite an outstanding minister to the campus each spring for a week's revival, during which a special effort is made to reach the unsaved and unenlisted students in the school. This year, however, with practically every student a Christian, it was decided to secure the cooperation of all the Baptist churches in Newton County to make a gigantic effort to reach every young person in this territory. Chester Swor has accepted the invitation to lead in this work and will arrive on the campus Monday, April 13.

For over a month every activity on the campus has pointed toward this coming campaign for Christ. It has been the dominant theme in the prayer life of the students and faculty members, and an extensive advertising campaign has been undertaken to invite every person in this section of the state to attend the meeting.

Besides the regular services in the local Baptist church each morning at 7:15 and at the college every day at 10:40 a. m. and 8:00 p. m., Mr. Swor will also speak at Newton High School on Monday at 2:00 p. m.; at Meridian Junior College on Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock; and at East Central Junior College at Decatur Thursday and Friday afternoons at 2:30. Each night after the services at Clarke, he will lead in an informal discussion of the problems that confront young people today.

All who can attend any of these services are cordially invited to do so, and the Christians of Newton County covet your prayers as they seek to do their part to win the American youth for Christ.

—BR—

CHURCH LOYALTY WEEK

Taylorville Baptist Church  
April 12—8:30 p. m. Central War Time Program:  
Tuesday—Church Doctrine—M. C. Hughes.  
Wednesday—The Mission of the Church—Joe Hudson.  
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Blue Ridge, North Carolina

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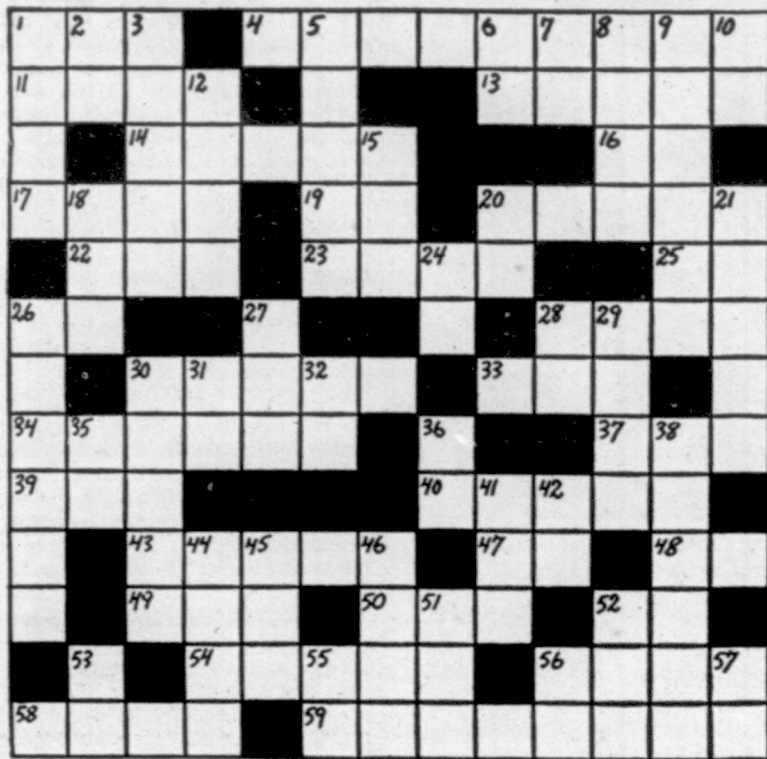


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## OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE



"For he that is least among you all, the same shall be great."—Luke 9:48.

## HORIZONTAL

- 1 "... he that is greatest among you, let him be as the younger," Luke 22:26.  
4 "but ... shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great," Matt. 5:19.  
11 Meadows.  
13 "Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little ... Matt. 18:4.  
14 Fragrant.  
16 Nickel.  
17 and 19 "whosoever of you ... the chiefest of all," Mark 10:44.  
20 "shew how ... things God hath done unto thee," Luke 8:39.  
22 "O ... me not wander from thy commandments," Ps. 119:10.  
23 "If any man desire to be first, the same shall be ... of all," Mark 9:35.  
25 "and greater works than these shall he ...," John 14:12.  
26 House of lords.  
28 Unit of mass in metric system.  
30 and 33 "But so shall it not be ...," Mark 10:43.  
34 "I will repay it: ... I do not say to thee how thou owest," Phil. 19.  
38 Nineteenth letter of the alphabet.  
39 By way of.  
40 "for he that is ... among you all, the same shall be great," Luke 9:48.  
43 "But he that is greatest among you

- ... be your servant," Matt. 23:11.  
47 "But many that are first shall ... last: and the last first," Mark 10:31.  
48 Second note in scale.  
49 Snake-like fish.  
50 Same as 41 down.  
52 3.1416.  
54 "I am ... and Omega," Rev. 22:13.  
56 "If thou knewest the ... of God," John 4:10.  
58 "for one is ... Master, even Christ," Matt. 23:8.  
59 "the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to ...," Mark 10:45.  
Our text is 1, 4, 17, 19, 20, 30, 33, 43, 47, 58 and 59 combined.

## VERTICAL

- 1 "when ye see the south wind ... , ye say, There will be heat," Luke 12:55.  
2 It's in suet.  
3 "That ye may eat and drink at my ... in my kingdom," Luke 22:30.  
5 "he that shall ... himself shall be exalted," Matt. 23:12.  
6 First part of October.  
7 Exclamation of inquiry.  
8 "I am the ... , ye are the branches," John 15:5.  
9 A son of David, II Sam. 5:16.  
10 Road.  
12 "Ye are the ... of the earth," Matt. 5:13.  
15 "let your communications be ... , Nay, Nay," Matt. 5:37.  
18 "Love worketh no ... to his neighbor," Rom. 13:10.  
20 Great.  
21 Volumes.  
24 "For God ... loved the world," John 3:16.  
26 "the same is greatest in the kingdom of ...," Matt. 18:4.  
27 Hawaiian food.  
28 "... ye therefore, and teach all nations," Matt. 28:19.  
29 Regrets.  
30 "whosoever shall exalt himself shall be ... d," Matt. 23:12.  
31 "ye believe in God, believe also in ...," John 14:1.  
32 New Testament.  
35 Chinese measure; Long Island.  
36 Man's nickname; aluminum.  
38 "there was also a ... among them, which of them should be accounted the greatest," Luke 22:24.  
41 Recede.  
42 Diphthong.  
44 "and having ears, ... ye not," Mark

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As a coordinating unit between the campus and the Mathiston Baptist Church, a Baptist Student Union has been created.

Supervising its organization were three ministerial students: Mr. Spain, Mr. Carter and Mr. Young of Clarke College, Newton, Mississippi.

The officers are:

James Richardson—President.

Julian Long and Lola Pennyman—First vice-presidents.

Ola Jones—Second vice president.

Betty Zane Cobb—Third vice-president.

Mary Elizabeth Hunt—Secretary.

Mildred Starks—Treasurer.

Dorothy Doolittle—Reporter.

Barbara Blanton—Pianist.

Travis Palmer—Chorister.

Mr. A. D. McAnear—Faculty adviser.

This is not a full organization, but a council to promote Baptist work in all the young people's departments of the church. With full cooperation of all Baptist students, each young person will learn more of his responsibility to God and the church, and will be better prepared to face the present hour of world conflict.

DOROTHY DOOLITTLE.

- 8:18.  
45 "and ... ye are brethren," Matt. 23:8.  
46 District in the hill country of Judah, Judges 15:9.  
51 Public proclamation.  
52 "he shall fall himself into his own ...," Prov. 28:10.  
53 "and, ... I am with you always," Matt. 28:20.  
55 Afternoon.  
56 Grand secretary.  
57 Trustee.

## ANSWER TO LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE



## "TOO LATE TO CHUT THE STABLE DOOR"

"It is too late to shut the stable door after the horse is gone." Likewise, it is too late to think of insuring your church building after it is burned? Why not insure it today?

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## WEST-END BAPTIST CHURCH WEST POINT, MISSISSIPPI

It is our happy privilege to be now living on our field here at West Point, having moved only last week. We have three fourths time here and some of the finest people in the world to work with. Saturday afternoon the folks surprised us with a generous shower of groceries which was greatly appreciated.

The church has recently organized an Intermediate Union under the leadership of Mrs. McGee and it is well attended and renders good programs. The Sunday School is having the best average attendance in the history of the church and good interest continues to be manifest in our mid-week prayer service.

We are still praying and working for some much needed Sunday School rooms. —Berton McGee, Pastor.

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The children of the Baptist Orphanage are happy to receive, but they are just as happy in their giving and always have a part in all of the special day gifts. Their Sunday school offering for home and foreign missions has just been turned in to the Baptist Convention Board office, amount of same, \$22.64.

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D. M. NELSON, President

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## Touching the Bases

BY FRED R. LANGLEY,  
Director Soldiers and Defense  
Projects Service.

We read a few days ago the United Press report carrying the names of two former Jackson Air Base chaplains now with the forces of Gen. Douglas MacArthur in Australia. It gave us a thrill, as we thought of the religious contacts with them while here at the local base. These two men are Capt. M. D. Kilver and Lieut. Charles Quest. Again we thought of the many men that went with them and how on Saturday afternoons on Capitol Street we had given them the Gospel of John, with an invitation printed on the back "From the Baptist Churches in Mississippi, to attend the church nearest you."

Speaking of thrills, it should thrill every Mississippi Baptist to know our soldiers and defense projects stationery and envelopes are being passed out to soldiers going through Jackson and stopping overnight with army convoys. Many a mother receiving letters from her son as he rolled through our state will see by his letter that Mississippi Baptists assisted in making that message possible.

Chaplain William A. Hood, Presbyterian, stationed at Key Field, Meridian since its opening, was one of those missed last week in Meridian. He had been ordered to other fields, probably the Pacific fighting zone. "The Lord bless thee, and keep thee." Numbers 6:24.

Four Baptist Churches in Meridian reported that 93 persons were baptised the last Sunday of March. Doxology!

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The books are numerous and cover a variety of subjects. Among the attractions are books for those interested in fiction, sermons, biography, devotional subjects and recreation. The students have a splendid opportunity to get acquainted with such authors as R. G. Lee, Kirby Page, Margaret Slattery, Sherwood Eddy, Helen Keller and many others.

At the suggestion of Mrs. Broach, a project is being planned for a circulating library during the summer months. The students have accepted the idea enthusiastically and are grateful for the opportunity to enjoy this fine collection during their vacation time.

Ruth Garcia, B. S. U. Reporter,  
Blue Mountain College.  
—BR—

### RELIGIOUS OBJECTORS TO REGISTER

The group affiliated with the National Service Board for Religious Objectors met in Washington recently to discuss the problem of registration of men between 45 and 65 which the President has directed to be held on April 27. It was thought some persons would feel unable to register unless they had an opportunity of stating at the time of registration that there are certain types of service they would be unable to perform. The following paragraph was drafted by the meeting as a suggested statement which might be written on registration cards by those persons who may feel they wish to make their position clear at the time of registration:

"As a conscientious objector because of religious training and belief, I am unable to contribute to the national war effort, but I am willing to serve in a civilian capacity along the line of constructive service which will relieve human need and suffering."—Paul Comly French, Executive Secretary.

Evangelist, who has worked with the men at Camp Shelby, chiefly from the soldier center in the First Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, where Dr. Tom Brown is pastor, is returning to the full time evangelistic field and hopes through the post chaplains to be able to preach in all army camps and chapels in Mississippi. Rev. Perry is a veteran of the war of 1917-18 and knows army life. He can preach and sing. He has ability and talent.

Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson, is ministering to the boys at the base. Dr. Claude Bowen, pastor, loves these men. His church also has a social and recreational period each Thursday evening and it is a success. This is on the ground floor of the building located at West Capitol Street.

The commander of the Greenville Army Flying School is a stranger to us, but we know that he uses his influence to get the men under him to take part in religious services on the reservation. We are glad to note that he has been raised to the rank of Colonel. We salute Colonel A. R. McConnell.

The Word of God, the Bible, the Gospel or whatever you wish to call it, is a fast seller. Leading publishers report sales up one hundred and fifty per cent over February, 1941. "The worlds were framed by the Word of God." Heb. 11:3.

### Liberty Hill, Panola County, Conducts Visitation Program in the Interest Of Stewardship

Liberty Hill, a church in Panola County and one of the best rural churches in the state, has for some time maintained a good Training Union. This union is seeking to conserve the training they have been giving the members and one activity in this direction is a visitation program in which they visited every church member, talking to them about their relationship to the church and God, and leaving some stewardship literature in the hand of each one. Already this has produced some excellent results for the church as a whole. Another activity of recent date is the launching of a movement to establish a library in the church. The church has set up the proper committee and officers and made provision for the care of the books and are accepting the double offer of the Sunday School Board for starting a library. This offer is that if the church will supply fifteen books that will be approved by the Sunday School Board, the Board will give the church ten books for their library, thus starting a twenty-five book library. Brother H. A. Borah is the beloved pastor of this progressive church and says, "It pays in every way to have a Training Union in any church." We extend our congratulations.

"Will you be enlisted as a volunteer?" We have had a hearty response from our associations as they are requesting two workers for the five-week period this summer. We hope to have sixty volunteers who know and love the work.

### AARON CLINTON HICKMAN

Aaron Clinton Hickman, 83, father of Reverend N. G. Hickman of Indianola and lifelong resident of Winston county, died at the family home. Mr. Hickman was one of the oldest and most prominent residents of the Noxapater community and had always taken an active interest in the civic and religious affairs.

Mr. Hickman had been in ill health for a long time. He was a member of the Baptist Church.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Georgia Hickman; four daughters, Mrs. Charles Clark, Mrs. G. M. Farish, Mrs. E. S. McCloud and Miss Eunice Hickman, member of the Calhoun school faculty; four sons, the Reverend N. Hickman of Indianola, A. C. Hickman, Jr., of Laurel and James A. Hickman and W. R. Hickman, both of Noxapater. The latter son has been ill for a long time and was unable to attend his father's funeral.

Funeral rites were held from the Mt. Carmel Baptist Church with the pastor, Reverend C. C. Weaver, officiating. Interment followed in the church cemetery.

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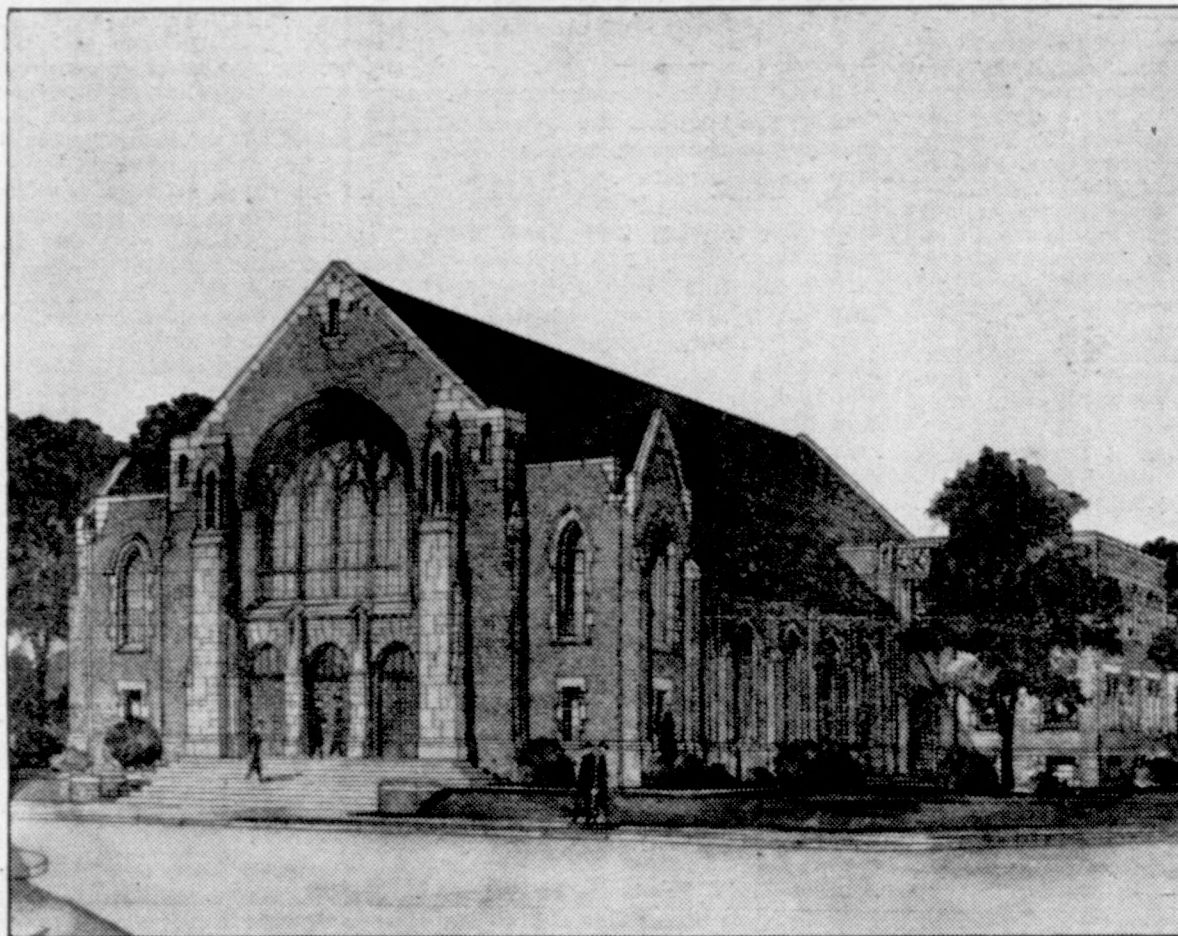
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## PARKWAY BAPTIST CHURCH

## PARKWAY PASTOR



Parkway Baptist Church, 2501 West Capitol Street opens wide its doors. Sunday April 12, in dedication and celebration of the beautiful new building. A happy welcome awaits all who desire to worship with them. As one enters the doors of this beautiful temple of God they will see a heart in the center of which two hands are clasped in friendly greeting, and this statement—"The House of Friendship."

EVANGELIST ESTES WRITES  
CONGRESSMAN RANKIN

Congressman John E. Rankin,  
Washington, D. C.  
Dear Mr. Rankin:

It is very interesting to note your stand and willingness to call the roll on the labor trouble.

I gave you my first vote the year I was twenty-one and we Democrats here in Mississippi have trusted you men there in Washington to help save our Democracy and liberty. Our armies are trusting you men to save Democracy here at home while they give their time, blood and lives to spread true Democracy throughout the world. We MUST not fail them!

There is a vast difference between partyism and pure Democracy and now is the time for all of the people of our United States of America to have only one plan, purpose and goal, that of saving our own nation and helping other nations to liberate themselves from the enemies. What labor organization has the right to challenge the public or our government on any proposition? That labor organization trouble is some spoiled monster! An internal cancer is worse than an external cancer. Whiskey and like evils, strikes and the desecration of our Lord's day (Sunday) are all internal cancers which need to be gotten rid of. All of us can help to do that. The destruction of morals and virtue with whiskey and dancing, the destruction of cotton, of cattle and hogs has brought shameful reproach on America.

Now is the time for America to repent to God and let Him in on our seven day program. We need material defense and we need spiritual offense.

My prayer to God is, that He will help us save our nation and win this war, to the end that we may be able to tell the

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Thursday—Enemies of the Church—Rev. Wilson Boggan.

Friday—Financing His Church—Rev. A. B. Pierce.

—Guy Little, Pastor.

—BR—

## TOCCOPOLA

The members of the Primary class of Toccopola church have been bringing gifts for the orphanage for several Sundays, and on Easter the total amounted to \$1.15, which has been forwarded to Brother Mize. Mrs. Hoyt Pickens is the teacher. The members of the class are: Lenabel, Joe Robert, Kelseyann, Junior, Billy Jean, Shirley, Ruth, Joan, Anita, Robert Lee, Billy Frank, Bradley, Billy Austin, Markeeta. They think they will have to buy a house stretcher if their class continues to grow. Joe Hall and Lenabel Rogers attended every Sunday during the past quarter.—Mrs. Hoyt Pickens, Teacher.

world of Jesus as the only Saviour of mankind to His own glory, and Amen.

Sincerely yours,

E. D. ESTES, Clinton, Miss.

## ASSISTANT PASTOR



ELMER BEARDEN

Elmer Bearden, formerly of Tyler-town, Mississippi, will assume his regular duties as assistant to the pastor of Parkway Baptist Church, May first. Mr. Bearden has been directing the choir and other church activities for Parkway the past few months while in attendance at Mississippi College. He will receive his degree at Mississippi College this year. During his tenure as student there he has been special distinction student, Fellow in the English Department, Winner of Kyzar, Wallace and Trotter medals for oratory in Freshman, Sophomore and Junior years respectively.

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REV. W. A. BELL

With a happy smile, Pastor W. A. Bell, will greet, not only his enthusiastic membership, but all who desire to worship with them in Parkway's new building. Sunday morning, April 12, at eleven o'clock.

Pastor Bell came to Parkway Church October 15th, 1938. The membership has tripled since the beginning of his ministry there; a standard Sunday School and Baptist Training Union, for the past two years, and his people rejoice with him and his splendid wife in "dreams come true," that this new building, which he has struggled so hard and so faithfully to build is now complete and ready for worship services. Every Sunday morning, beginning with his first Sunday, October 16th, 1938, Pastor Bell has opened his worship program with "Friendship time," and no Sunday has passed that he has not made the statement to his people that "A man must show himself friendly if he would have friends" and on his first Sunday stated "This is Jackson's House of Friendship." Its name will stand throughout the days to come, and Pastor Bell welcomes ALL, not only to worship with him and his congregation on this the first day of the opening of Parkway new Baptist Church, but on every occasion he says to one and all "welcome."

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## THE BOOK OF ROMANS

Chrysostom had it read to him once each week.

Melanchthon copied it twice with his own hand, in order to become better acquainted with it.

Luther called it the chief book of the New Testament, and the perfect gospel.

Coleridge regarded it as the profoundest book in existence.

Sir William Ramsay referred to it as the philosophy of history.

Godet spoke of it as the cathedral of Christian faith.

Dr. David Bacon said that the faith of Christendom in its best periods has been more indebted to this epistle than to any other portion of the Living Oracles.

Dr. W. H. Griffith Thomas asserted that a thorough study of Romans is a theological education in itself.—Free Methodist.

young Christian man leading and working hand in hand with the pastor, officers and teachers, and entire membership.



**MEN, TITHE YOUR TIRES!**  
**BAPTIST BROTHERHOOD OF THE SOUTH**

